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No. $\frac{2824}{1}$ OF 1892.

FROM

THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
Bombay;

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Judicial Department,
Bombay.

Police Commissioner's Office,
Bombay, 11th May 1892.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit herewith the annual report on the working of the Bombay City Police for 1891.

2. In conformity with the instructions contained in Government Resolution, Judicial Department, No. 4075, dated 14th July 1886, I forwarded the report to the Chief Presidency Magistrate and beg to attach hereto for the information of Government a copy of the letter No. 484, dated 7th instant, from that officer.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
W. H. WILSON, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

No. 484 OF 1892.

FROM

C. P. COOPER, ESQ.,
Chief Presidency Magistrate and Revenue Judge;

To

THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
Bombay.

Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court,
Bombay, 7th May 1892.

SIR,

I have the honour to return with thanks the annual draft Police Report forwarded with your letter No. $\frac{2824}{1}$, dated the 5th instant. I have no remarks to offer thereon.

I have the honour, &c.,
(Signed) C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate
and Revenue Judge.

(True Copy)
H. G. GELL,
for Commissioner of Police.

No. $\frac{299}{1}$ of 1892.

FROM

COLONEL W. H. WILSON,
Commissioner of Police, Bombay;

To

W. LEE-WARNER, ESQ., C. S., C.I.E.,
Secretary to Government, Judicial Department,
Bombay.

Police Commissioner's Office,
Bombay, 11th May 1892.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the annual report on the Police Administration in the Town and Island of Bombay during the year 1891.

2. I was in charge of the office of the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, from 1st January to 17th October 1891 and again from 2nd December till the end of the year. During the interval I was on privilege leave, Mr. Gell acted for me. During the absence on privilege leave of Mr. Gell from 3rd May to 26th July 1891 and during the time he acted for me Mr. Crummy performed the duties of Deputy Commissioner of Police.

3. The Statements A, B, D, E and F, prescribed by the Government of India, together with the additional forms noted below, accompany the report :—

G.—Statement of Expenditure on Police Buildings.
H.—Statement of Resignations and Dismissals.
I.—Statement of Juvenile Offenders.
J.—Statement of Re-convicted Persons.
K.—Statement of Coroner's Inquests.
L.—Statement of Fires in Bombay.

4. During the year 17,893 cognizable cases were reported to the Police and the Magistrates as compared with 18,518, such cases in the previous year. The decrease is mostly confined to cases under Class VI and laws other than the Indian Penal Code. Of the total number of cases reported, 15,297 ended in conviction against 16,609 in 1890, giving a percentage of convictions of 86·6 in 1891 as against 89·69 in 1890.

5. The following table shows the number of cases cognizable under the Indian Penal Code :—

	1890.	1891.	Increase.	Decrease.
Abetments	...	...	...	...
Class I	24	25	1	...
„ II	287	271	...	16
„ III	220	245	25	...
„ IV	17	34	17	...
„ V	2,646	3,207	561	...
Total ...	3,194	3,782	604	16

Net increase 588.

6. The increase in Penal Code cases is most noticeable under House-breaking (38), Wrongful restraint and confinement (15), Thefts ordinary (448), and Criminal breach of trust (116).

7. The increase in thefts is mostly in offences of a petty nature, such as pilfering of cotton and coal along the public thoroughfares and the picking of

pockets in public markets and places of public resort, and point more to the extra vigilance of the Police than to any falling off in their supervision.

8. The increase in cases of house-breaking again took place in the outlying districts of Máhim, &c., where the Police are so few and far between, and with reference to the same I would invite attention of Government to paragraphs 15, 16 and 17 of my report for 1889.

9. Under Class VI and Miscellaneous Laws the figures during the past two years are as under :—

	1890.	1891.	Increase.	Decrease.
Class VI	722	671	...	51
Miscellaneous Laws ...	14,602	13,440	...	1,162
Total ...	15,324	14,111	...	1,213

10. The decrease of 1,213 cases shown in the above statement consists of offences against Gambling, Public Conveyance Act and Police Acts, including Drunkenness.

11. The continual raids on gamblers in late years have very much checked gambling, and as regards drunkenness it may not be out of place to observe here that the several Temperance movements set on foot in different parts of the town have materially helped to check drinking. These classes of offences always vary considerably. I observe that the number has gone back to what it was in 1889.

12. In connection with cognizable crime 22,225 were arrested and placed before the Magistrates against 23,110 in 1890. Of this number 20,241 were convicted, showing a percentage of 91·07 against 93·85 in the previous year, 1,883 acquitted, 53 under trial, 5 committed to Sessions, and 63 were otherwise disposed of.

13. Of the cognizable cases, 13,833 were reported to and investigated by the Police, of which 12,077 ended in conviction, 754 in acquittal and 18 were pending at the close of the year, against 12,833, 458 and 30, respectively, in 1890. The percentage of Police cases reported to cases convicted is 87·31. Of the remaining 984 cases, 7 were maliciously false, 764 were undetected, 30 were transferred to other authorities and 183 were otherwise disposed of. The percentage of undetected cases to cases reported was 5·52 as against 5·47 in 1890.

14. Amongst the undetected cases, 80 were of house-breaking which shows an improvement in detection of that class of crime by 14 cases on the previous year, while the number of cases of theft remaining undetected is 652 as against 634 in 1890. The explanation referred to in last part of paragraph 8 of this report still furnishes reasons for the number of cases in house-breaking and thefts remaining undetected.

15. *Property Stolen and Recovered.*—The aggregate value of the property stolen under all heads amounted to Rs. 2,29,616 against Rs. 2,13,606 in 1890. The percentage of the value of property recovered to the value of property stolen was 51·60 against 51·2.

16. The number of serious offences reported against life was 14 as compared with the same number in 1890, of which 2 were murders by poisoning, 7 were other murders and 5 were culpable homicide. Convictions were obtained in 1 case of murder by poisoning, in 5 of other murders, and in 2 of culpable homicide.

17. The following are the details of serious crime :—

Murder by Poison.—The Khámbekar Street Poisoning case.—On the night of the 21st January information was given to the Police of the sudden death of five members of a Mahomedan family within three hours of each other.

Enquiries elicited facts which pointed to foul play and in effect on an inquest being held and portions of the stomach, &c., of the deceased being forwarded to the Chemical Analyser, that officer discovered the presence of strychnia in sufficient quantities to cause death.

Four of the deceased belonged to one family; the fifth was a female servant employed by them. Out of a household of eight persons three only survived. The house they occupied is situated in Khámbekar Street, a Mahomedan quarter of the city, and belonged to one of the deceased.

The names of the five deceased were :—

Abdullah Noor Mahomed, aged 56 years, a retired merchant and owner of the house.

Molidina Noor Mahomed, aged 70 years, brother of Abdullah.

Halimabai, wife of Molidina, aged 40 years.

Curimabai, step-mother of Molidina and Abdullah, aged 80 years.

Fatmabai, a female servant to Abdullah, aged 45.

and those of the survivors—

Bachoo, the second son of Abdullah, aged 22,

Rahimatbai, wife of Bachoo, and

Dawood, cook to the household, aged some 17 years.

On the night in question it appears they all took their evening meal at the usual hour, about 7-30, some upstairs and some downstairs. At about 11-30 P. M. Abdullah, who had gone out to visit some friends, was taken suddenly ill and died within a few minutes. His body was conveyed to his house, and on seeing it his brother Molidina was taken ill in a similar manner to Abdullah, and died also in a few minutes. Whilst at his last gasp the female servant Fatmabai came into the room, saw him, became suddenly ill, and died. The step-mother, Curimabai, on hearing what had happened, came downstairs for a short while and on returning upstairs and seeing the dead body of her daughter-in-law Halimabai, who had died in her brief absence downstairs, fell down in a fit and died also. Bachoo arrived on the scene whilst these deaths were taking place, and appears to have done what was possible with the aid of his wife Rahimatbai and Dawood, the cook, to relieve their agonies.

Enquiries continued for some days when suspicion resting on Dawood, he was arrested and placed before a Magistrate. There he expressed his desire to confess on condition that he received a free pardon, and he made a statement incriminating Bachoo and Rahimatbai, both of whom were arrested shortly after and placed before a Magistrate.

Rahimatbai was eventually discharged as no further evidence than that of Dawood was forthcoming; but evidence of a grave nature having been obtained against Bachoo, he was committed to the Sessions, convicted and sentenced to be hanged. This sentence was carried out on the 6th June 1891.

From the evidence on which Bachoo was convicted it would appear that he was a young man of extravagant habits, was in pecuniary difficulties, and had for some time been pressed for payment by his creditors. On their finally threatening to take legal proceedings, it is surmised that he formed the diabolical plot of murdering his father to obtain the money he knew him to be possessed of, and his other relations to prevent their being possible witnesses against him. To obtain this end he procured a quantity of strychnine from a native druggist, and on the promise of Rs. 500 reward, induced Dawood to put the poison in their evening meal, which was done.

The family was a respectable one of the Memon community and Abdullah was counted to be a wealthy man, possessing still more wealthy relatives. These relatives did all in their power to spoil the case against Bachoo and were more or less backed up in their efforts by the whole Memon community, and the Police from the commencement of the case up to the end had the greatest difficulty in inducing witnesses to come forward.

This was a most cold-blooded and premeditated murder. The case was a very difficult and intricate one; but link by link the chain of evidence was completed. The point which gave most trouble was to discover whence the poison had been obtained. By the indefatigable and continuous inquiries lasting for weeks this was at last discovered. Very great credit is due to Mr. Inspector Grayhurst who obtained the first clue. The detectives under Sirdár Mir Abdul Ali, Khán Bahádur, and the Divisional Police were untiring in this inquiry.

18. The Poisons Act VIII of 1866 requires recasting. In its present form it is an unworkable and most imperfect Act of no use at all to the Police in a case of this kind. I am preparing a report to Government on this Act at this moment, which I hope to submit shortly.

19. The only parallel case to this was the famous De Ga poisoning case which occurred in 1872; but in that case a conviction was not secured, though the Police were unremitting in their exertions.

20. In the course of the enquiries into the above case it came to light that in the previous October Bachoo's step-mother, a young woman aged about 21 years, named Assabai, married but a few months previously, had died suddenly under suspicious circumstances during the night of the 9th of the month.

The cook Dawood made a statement to the effect that on the night in question he had seen Bachoo put a white powder into a glass of *sherbet* which his step-mother drank shortly before her death. A warrant was obtained from the Coroner for the disinterment of the body and the contents of the stomach, &c., were forwarded to the Chemical Analyser who detected strychnine.

The inquest which subsequently sat on the body brought in a verdict of "murder by poisoning against some person or persons unknown."

The Police failed to elicit any further evidence than that given by Dawood; and as Bachoo had already been convicted on a major charge and there was no evidence to show that any one besides Bachoo was implicated in Assabai's death, no further steps were taken.

21. *Murders.*—On the evening of the 28th January at about 9-30, while a Bokhára pilgrim-broker named Abdul Mujeed Haji Ismail was seated in the room of a friend in a house in Tanka Mohola, it was entered by a country woman of his, named Ikhan, living in the same house, with whom he had quarrelled. On her entrance the quarrel was renewed and on Ikhan's calling Abdul some low names he drew a clasp-knife and inflicted such serious wounds on her back and chest that she almost immediately died. On seeing what he had done Abdul left the house and gave himself up to a Police sepoy, and when brought back to the scene of his crime, pointed out where he had thrown the knife.

It appears that Abdul Mujeed was moved by jealousy that Ikhan, the widow of a Mahomedan, who at one time held a position of importance under the Chinese Government, should go about the city unveiled in the company of Mookhta, another Bukhariote, and accordingly quarrelled with her.

He was convicted at the High Court Sessions, but on a recommendation to mercy by the Jury he was transported for life.

22. In the afternoon of Saturday, the 25th April 1891, the bodies of two Pársi women named Bachoobai and Perozbai, aged 20 and 16 respectively, were reported to have fallen from the Rájábai Tower. The Police at once repaired to the spot and made enquiries. On suspicion a Pársi named Manekji Aslaji and other persons, who were in the Tower about the time of the occurrence, were arrested by the Police. But there being no evidence connecting these persons with the unfortunate occurrence they were released. The next morning the Coroner commenced his inquest and a protracted sitting of the Coroner's Jury extending over 19 sittings took place which resulted in a verdict by a majority that "the death of Bachoobai was caused from injuries received by throwing herself from the top balcony of the Rájábái Tower in consequence of an attempted outrage upon her by some person or persons unknown to the Jury and that to this attempted outrage Manekji Aslaji was privy, under such circumstances that the act of such person or persons unknown and of Manekji

Aslaji was culpable homicide not amounting to murder; and that the death of Perozbai was caused from injuries received by her being thrown from the Rájábái Tower by Manekji Aslaji in order to destroy evidence of his complicity in an outrage attempted on her by some person or persons unknown to the Jury, under such circumstances that the act of Manekji Aslaji was culpable homicide amounting to murder." He was tried at the Criminal Sessions in July last but was acquitted.

It does not appear necessary for me to make any remarks on this case as Government are fully aware of all the circumstances connected with it.

23. On the night of the 13th May 1891, at about 7 o'clock, one Dharma Deoji, a bricklayer, left his house at Bándra and proceeding to Máhim entered the hut of one Gangaram Vithoo near the Jamsetji Road, and attacked him and a woman named Laxmi, who was with him, with a large fish chopper. A neighbour and his wife hearing cries rushed in and attempted to interfere, but were warned off by Dharma. Dharma after completing his work ran out of the house with the knife, leaving Gangaram and Laxmi unconscious and covered with blood, and making his way to the nearest Police station gave himself up to a European Police officer.

Gangaram, who was not dead, was at once removed to hospital, where, however, he died one hour after admission.

It appears that Laxmi, a woman of about 35, had been in Dharma's keeping and a month before had left him to go and live with Gangaram. Dharma asked Laxmi on more than one occasion to return to him, but failing to induce her to do so committed the deed above related.

Dharma Deoji was convicted at the High Court Sessions and sentenced to be hanged.

24. On the morning of the 17th July 1891, at about 6 o'clock, near Charni Wádi, the body of a Marátha woman was found lying in a sweeper's gully with the throat cut.

On enquiry it was found that the husband of the woman named Ramji Honaji, a pressman, suspected her fidelity and decided to murder her. He took his wife into the street on the night of the 16th July 1891 and throwing her on the ground where the body was found, cut her throat with a pen-knife, which he then hid in her *sári*. Suspicion at once fell on him and he was shortly after arrested for the murder, and on being tried at the Criminal Sessions in September 1891 was sentenced to death. The sentence was carried out on October 16th, 1891.

25. At about 5-30 P. M. on the evening of the 13th September, a girl named Heera, aged 18 years, was found lying dead in the room occupied by her and her husband in Pirkhán Lane, New Nágpáda, with marks of pressure about her throat and minus her ornaments valued at Rs. 114. Her husband named Hari Gopal having disappeared after the crime, search was made for him and he was arrested next day at Máhim in possession of the whole of the stolen property.

It appears that Heera, who was in a weak state of health and who had since her confinement a month previous been staying with her parents on the first floor of the house, gave her husband dissatisfaction in the manner in which she responded to his repeated calls on her, and he was heard to say that she was not of much use. On the day of the murder she went upstairs to him after repeated summonses, and on her failing to return after some time her grandmother went to look for her and found her body as above mentioned.

Hari was tried for murder at the High Court Sessions, sentenced to death and hanged on the 19th December.

26. On the 17th September 1891 a man named Govind Appa, a basket cooly living in Upper Máhim, murdered a woman named Baya, aged 30 years, by cutting her throat with a bill-hook.

This woman had been in his keeping for nearly two years and lived with him and his wife in a house at Lohár Chawl. They were constantly quarrelling.

Govind Appa doubted her fidelity and about six weeks previous to the murder Baya left him and went to live in the house of one Savant in the same lane. On the day of the murder at about 6 A.M. Govind Appa met Baya going to her work, and catching hold of her took her to his room, closed the door and cut her throat. He then gave himself up to the Police pointing out the bill-hook with which he committed the deed. Govind Appa was convicted at the High Court Sessions and sentenced to death.

27. On the night of the 11th December 1891, one Bhow Mahadeo, aged about 29, a butcher by caste following the profession of brass moulder, murdered one Enoos Suraven, a lad of 19, on the beach near the Bándra Causeway by cutting his throat with a razor. He then took ornaments from the body valued at Rs. 300 and made off.

It appears that Bhow and Enoos were friends, both living in the Mándvi quarter of the city, Bhow in his moulder's shop and Enoos with his mother who owned the house in the vicinity.

On the day of the murder Bhow induced Enoos to accompany him to see the balloon ascent at the Victoria Gardens. From there they went to Dádar visiting liquor-shops *en route*, and from Dádar to Máhim by train, and thence they walked to the beach where Bhow committed the murder whilst Enoos was in a state of intoxication.

The crime, a premeditated one, appears to have been committed to enable Bhow to possess himself of the ornaments in Enoos' possession. Bhow was arrested on the 12th December 1891 on evidence obtained by the Detective Police in a manner which reflects the greatest credit on them and was convicted at the High Court Sessions and sentenced to be hanged.

28. *Culpable Homicide.*—On the morning of the 24th December 1890, in the midst of a quarrel between two servants of a Bania about money matters, one of them Narayan Jeewan, aged 65 years, was struck on the head with a stick by the other, a Pardesi named Gopaldeen, aged 70 years. After striking the blow Gopaldeen made off. Narayen died from the effects of the blow on the 3rd of the ensuing month, and the Coroner's Jury returned a verdict of culpable homicide not amounting to murder against Gopaldeen. Gopaldeen was still at large at the close of the year.

29. On the 24th June, at 7 P.M., one Achappa Ashana, a Kámáti, on returning to his house in 14th Lane, Kámátipura, after an absence of six hours, found the dead body of his daughter aged 12 years partially hidden under some bed-clothes belonging to her husband named Mahadu Mulloo, with marks of strangulation on her throat. He at once gave information to the Police who arrested his son-in-law next day.

Mahadu had lately been discharged from work Achappa had obtained for him on account of laziness and was sorely taken to task by his father-in-law who threatened to marry his daughter to some one else unless he mended his ways.

Mahadu took this to heart and strangled his young wife with his own hands admitting his guilt on arrest.

He was convicted at the High Court Sessions on the 10th September under Section 304, Indian Penal Code, and sentenced to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment.

30. On the 15th December at about 7 P.M. Sakharam Manaji, who armed with a stick was lying in wait at a liquor shop in the Supári Bág road for one Babaji Deoji, with whom he had had frequent quarrels: on seeing Babaji approaching he went out and abused him. The deceased, one Krishna Wassoo, seeing the quarrel, went between them to interfere, when the accused Sakharam raised his stick and struck him several blows on the head, felling him to the ground and rendering him unconscious.

Krishna was removed to hospital where he died next day. Sakharam Manaji was convicted at the High Court Sessions and sentenced to four years' rigorous imprisonment.

31. The following are the details of the remaining two cases of culpable homicide which have been furnished by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, as the cases have been included in his Statement A, Part I:—

"In one case one Cassum Sajun and another were charged before me with culpable homicide not amounting to murder. It appears from the evidence that 29 persons were killed by the collapse of a house, the result of the non-observance by the said accused persons of the specifications given in the application to build, and on which permission to build was accorded, as also the use of very inferior material. Cassum Sajun was committed to the High Court on charges under Sections 304 and 304A and was there convicted. The other accused was discharged by me."

32. Great credit is due to Mr. Brewin, who under my orders took up and prosecuted this case of collapse of a house in which 29 persons were killed. It has brought home to jerry builders their responsibilities.

33. In the other case, one Tukaram Rannoji was charged before Mr. Hamilton with culpable homicide. The allegations against the accused were that he took one Bapuji Mahadu to a liquor shop and there made him so drunk as to render him incapable of self-defence. Bapuji Mahadu was then taken near the Sonápur Road where he was so severely assaulted by the accused assisted by another, that Bapuji Mahadu died in consequence of the beating. As there was no evidence against the accused, he was discharged by Mr. Hamilton.

34. *Non-Cognizable Crime.*—There were in all 8,400 non-cognizable cases during the last year. Of this number 4,185 were under the Indian Penal Code and 4,255 were under special and local laws, the Municipal cases under the latter head being 4,147. In connection with this class of crime 6,861 persons appeared before the Courts. Of this number 2,317 were convicted, 1,607 acquitted, 2,899 discharged after appearance, and 36 were awaiting trial at the close of the year. Of the remaining 2, one was sent to Lunatic Asylum and one was transferred.

35. Below is given a statement showing the different communities to which offenders in cognizable and non-cognizable cases belonged:—

Nature of Offence.	Caste.														Grand Total
	Europeans.		Portuguese.		Hindus.		Mahomedans.		Pársis.		Others.		Total.		
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
Cognizable ...	326	9	554	26	12,355	880	7,353	171	283	1	141	29	21,071	1,107	22,178
Non-cognizable ...	72	2	204	10	3,719	220	1,720	178	404	48	166	8	6,222	660	6,861
Total ...	427	11	758	36	16,074	1,100	9,073	349	687	49	301	38	27,293	1,676	29,039

36. *Trade under the Arms Act.*—The subjoined statements indicate the extent of arms, ammunition, &c., exported, imported and transported at Bombay:—

Received into Bombay.

	Airguns.	Rifles.	Carbines.	Guns.	Pistols and Revolvers.	Swords.	Cartridges. Loaded.	Cartridges. Empty.	Percussion Caps.	Gunpowder. Tons.	Gunpowder. Cwt.	Gunpowder. Qrs.	Gunpowder. Lbs.	Blasting Powder. Tons.	Blasting Powder. Cwt.	Blasting Powder. Qrs.	Blasting Powder. Lbs.	Sulphur. Tons.	Sulphur. Cwt.	Sulphur. Qrs.	Sulphur. Lbs.	Crackers. Tons.	Crackers. Cwt.	Fire Balls and other works.	Fuse Coils.	Bengal Lights.	Fog Signals.	Ammunition Gross Boxes.	Ammunition Weight including whip rust.	Sword sticks.	Bankhardts.
1891.																									Gross.	No.				
By Import, including Transhipment	37	262	87	208	278	723	671,938	921,538	17,186,800	43	11	2	8	41	14	3	8	431	12	...	8	1,631	19½	1,419	184,800	13,025	14,488	1,000	8	51	...
By Transport	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	37	262	87	208	278	723	671,938	921,538	17,186,800	43	11	2	8	41	14	3	8	431	12	...	8	1,631	19½	1,419	184,800	13,025	14,488	1,000	8	51	...
1890.	...	141	6	134	237	2,177	417,470	629,850	14,163,000	*60	18	...	19	...	...	...	...	634	16	...	20	1,151	14½	16,402	301,566	2,613½	...	...	...	...	...
Increase	37	121	81	74	51	...	254,468	292,088	3,023,800	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	480	5	...	...	12,411½	...	...	...	...	...
Decrease	...	...	...	...	...	1,454	...	...	.....	17	6	1	11	...	...	...	...	3	4	...	12	...	...	15,073	116,766	...	...	...	...	...	...

*Including Blasting Powder.

Sent out of Bombay.

	Airguns.	Rifles.	Carbines.	Guns.	Pistols and Revolvers.	Swords.	Cartridges. Loaded.	Cartridges. Empty.	Percussion Caps.	Gunpowder. Tons.	Gunpowder. Cwt.	Gunpowder. Qrs.	Gunpowder. Lbs.	Blasting Powder. Tons.	Blasting Powder. Cwt.	Blasting Powder. Qrs.	Blasting Powder. Lbs.	Sulphur. Tons.	Sulphur. Cwt.	Sulphur. Qrs.	Sulphur. Lbs.	Dynamite.	Detonators.	Fuse Coils.	Ammunition. Tons.	Ammunition. Cwt.	Ammunition. Qrs.	Ammunition. Lbs.	Gelatine. Lbs.
1891.																													
By Export	3	6	...	11	3	...	4,520	14,000	2,462,500	6	2	...	17	6	7	2	1	24	13	2	13	58,150	74,500	6,900	...	...	...	...	4,050
By Transport	3	36	67	53	52	615	122,350	230,700	11,294,900	54	16	1	17	13	13	2	10	275	5	1	13	12,130	3,770	155,197	...	...	...	...	300
By Transhipment	...	7	1	414	12	6	2,500	1,300	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	196	10	...	...	...	...	...	1	14	3	...	...
Total	6	51	68	478	64	621	129,370	254,000	13,757,400	60	17	2	6	19	19	2	11	495	8	3	25	65,280	78,270	162,097	1	14	3	...	4,350
1890.	...	74	5	113	144	579	38,970	472,750	13,452,125	30	5	1	16	16	2	2	26	457	...	2	21	31,730	114,400	277,710	25†				2,474
Increase	...	...	63	365	...	42	99,310	...	305,275	...	12	...	18	3	16	3	13	78	8	1	4	33,540	...	...	.....				1,876
Decrease	...	23	...	...	100	...	...	218,750	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	36,130	115,623	.....				...

†Gross Boxes.

The licenses and permits issued under the Arms Act during the past year were as follows :—

Permits to exempted persons	1,152
Do. to public servants	101
Possession licenses...	413
Journey do.	69
Dealers' do.	39
Transhipment do.	38
Export licenses to exempted persons in Native States ...	884
Export and transport, including other licenses registered in this office	574
Import licenses	279
Permits for withdrawal of ammunition from the Sewri Magazine	339
Total ...	3,888
1890 ...	3,538
Increase ...	350

37. *Inquests.*—During the past year 403 inquests were held by the Coroner in the Town and Island of Bombay against 407 in 1890, and the following verdicts were recorded :—

Homicides...	18
Deaths caused by rash and negligent acts	4
Suicides	93
Accidental deaths	225
Deaths from natural causes	40
Deaths from unknown causes	20
Still-born...	3
Total ...	403

Suicides have run up to about normal again ; last year there was a decrease of 12.

38. *Pilgrims.*—During the year under report Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son granted passes and passports to 2,096 pilgrims against 8,892 in the previous year. Of this number, 5,629 were British subjects, 681 subjects of Native States, and 2,643 foreigners. Besides the above number, 143 passed through Bombay on their way to the Hedjaz, who had obtained passports from different British Civil and Political officers in India.

39. *Fires.*—During the year 1891, 105 fires occurred in the City of Bombay against 96 in the preceding year, the aggregate value of property destroyed by these fires being Rs. 2,05,079-4-0.

40. *Mohurram.*—The following table shows the number of Tábuts and Panjás erected in the years 1890 and 1891 :—

Year.	Tábuts.	Panjás.	Total.
1880	173	880	1,053
1891	177	899	1,076
Increase ...	4	19	23
Decrease ...	...	...	...

41. This festival, which is always a period of anxiety to the Police, passed off quietly.

42. As chief of the force I cannot leave this subject without testifying to the admirable and cheerful way in which the Police bear the strain put upon them during this festival lasting for ten days.

43. The extra work which devolves on the whole force is of a very trying nature.

44. His Imperial Highness the Cesarewitch was with us in Bombay from 30th January to 4th February, which was a source of anxiety and responsibility, necessitating extra vigilance.

45. In the light of the incident in Japan we may congratulate ourselves, for His Imperial Highness was permitted to go about the City of Bombay freely *incognito*, but under special precautions all passed off well.

46. A very great deal of arduous and extra work was thrown on the Police during the year by the successful and unsuccessful attempts to ascend in a balloon and descend by means of a parachute.

There were in all 8:—

7th January 1891—Haji Husein Aga Ali	(successful).	
9th May 1891—Professor C. H. Lawrence	(postponed).	
16th do. — Do.	(Balloon caught fire before starting).	
16th October 1891—Miss Van Tassell	(failure).	
18th do. — Do.	(successful).	
13th November 1891—Mr. Mansfield, Lieut., R. N. R.	(successful).	
5th December 1891—	Do.	(failure).
10th December 1891—	Do.	(the balloon burst when about 1,000 feet from the ground: Mr. Mansfield only breathed for a short while after reaching the earth).

47. *Strength and Cost of the Police.*—The following is the strength and cost of the Police for the year 1891:—

	Rs.
(a). Land Police.	
1 Commissioner of Police ...	25,304
1 Deputy Commissioner of Police	10,075
Office establishment ...	5,995
6 Superintendents ...	24,934
36 Subordinate officers on Rs. 100 and upwards ...	54,658
92 Subordinate officers on less than Rs. 100	34,014
1,128 Constables of all classes ...	1,80,864
(b).	
99 Government Police guards	13,333
(c). Harbour Police.	
1 Superintendent ...	4,800
4 Subordinate officers on Rs. 100 and upwards ...	5,220
9 Subordinate officers on less than Rs. 100 ...	2,472
87 Constables of all classes ...	16,064
1,464 Carried forward ...	3,77,733

		Rs.
1,464	Brought forward ...	3,77,733
	(d). Dockyard Police.	
3	Subordinate officers on Rs. 100 and upwards ...	4,800
4	Subordinate officers on less than Rs. 100 ...	1,236
77	Constables	10,813
	(e). Dock Police.	
1	Superintendent	3,000
2	Subordinate officers on Rs. 100 and upwards ...	2,700
6	Subordinate officers on less than Rs. 100 ...	1,794
76	Constables	10,805
	Total ...	4,12,881
	Rent, Contingencies, Allowances, &c.	92,283
	Hospital expenses ...	6,427
1,633	Grand Total ...	5,11,591

48. From Statement E it will be seen that, during the year 1891, 239 officers and men were rewarded by promotion, 98 received good conduct badges and 128 received money rewards. There were 14 dismissals against 20 in the previous year, while 4 officers and 390 men were punished departmentally and 6 judicially by the Magistrates. Of the 6 persons, one was punished for a breach of the Police Act and five for other offences.

49. The general conduct of the force during the year has been good.

50. With regard to the education of the force I would invite attention of Government to the remarks made by me in paragraph 63 of the Police Report for 1890, which are still applicable.

51. I regret to observe that owing to the continuous and excessive work I am obliged to demand from the force, the percentage of admissions to hospitals has risen from 113·71 to 142·35. The number of casualties by death was 24.

52. *Juvenile Offenders.*—From the subjoined statement it will be seen that the number of juvenile offenders during the past three years has on an average been 626. It will be interesting to observe, now that the Factory Act of 1892 has come into force, whether this average will be affected in any way:—

1889 ...	...	...	...	650
1890 ...	...	...	...	603
1891 ...	...	...	...	627
			Total ...	1,880

Three years' average, 626.

53. With reference to the concluding portion of paragraph 2 of Government Resolution, Judicial Department, No. 3375, dated 24th June 1891, I beg to observe that as Section 157 of the Criminal Procedure Code is not applicable to the City of Bombay no final reports are submitted to Magistrates, and cases remaining undetected are understood to be under investigation. However, the Statement A, Part I, attached to this report, has been prepared in accordance with the instructions contained in the abovesaid Resolution.

54. I need not recapitulate the reasons which make the construction of the Police head-quarters and lines at the Arthur Crawford Markets so great a necessity, but respectfully invite the attention of Government to my remarks in the several previous annual reports.

55. The results of the operations of the Police during the year I take to be satisfactory and show that the efficiency of the force has been maintained.

56. The following officers are deserving of special mention for the efficient manner in which they have discharged their very responsible duties:—

Superintendent J. Crummy.	Superintendent J. McDermott.
„ T. G. Sweeney.	„ H. Ingram.
„ H. Brewin.	

The other Superintendents performed their duties efficiently.

57. Sirdar Mir Abdul Ali Khán Bahádur's services during the year have been invaluable and his masterly handling of the "Khámbekar Street Poisoning Case" was beyond praise.

58. The following Inspectors are deserving of mention for zeal and activity during the year:—

Ráo Bahádur Daji Gangaji.	Inspector A. L. Butterfield.
Inspector Framji Bhikaji.	„ Lee-Smith.
„ W. R. Jones.	„ J. Stanford.
„ G. H. Cobb.	„ J. Grayhurst.
„ W. J. Nolan.	„ Roshan Ali Asad Ali.
Rao Saheb Murarrao Kshirsagar.	

59. I must not forget to acknowledge the services of my Deputy, Mr. Herbert Gell, who has ably seconded my efforts in maintaining the discipline and efficiency of the force.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
W. H. WILSON, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

STATEMENT

PART I.—*Return of Cognizable*

Serial Number	Law under which punishable.	Description Crime.	CASES.																							
			Reported to have been committed during the year, whether taken up by the cases object to by the Police, and including all false accusations of cognizable crimes.			Number of cases in column 4 not investigated under section 157, Criminal Procedure Code.	Number of cases in column 4 rejected as false or withdrawn.	Cases pending before the Courts from previous year.	Number of cases in columns 4, 5 and 7 disposed.	Number of cases in columns 4, 5 and 7 ending in conviction	Percentage of cases investigated by Police to cases reported.	Percentage of cases ending in conviction to cases decided.	Investigated by Police.		Number of cases in columns 12 to 14 and of those investigated by Police in column 7.			Percentage of Police cases ending in conviction to Police cases disposed.	Percentage of Police cases ending in conviction to Police cases reported.	Number of cases declared by Magistrate to be false and never to have occurred.	Cases disposed of under section 157, Cr. P. C.		
													See note.	By order of Magistrate on complaint or of the Police, which had previous information of the commission of the offence.	By order of Magistrate after Police refused to enquire.	Ending in conviction.	Ending in acquittal or discharge.	Pending at close of year before Magistrate or Sessions Court.					a.	b.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15				16	17	18	18a					
1	115	Abatement of offence not committed, &c	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2	117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3	118, 119 ..	Concealing design to commit offence, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		CLASS I.—*Offences against the State, Public Tranquillity, Safety and Justice.*																								
1	120 to 130, 132 ..	Offences relating to Army and Navy ..	4	..	..	..	1	4	100	100	4	..	..	4	..	..	..	100	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2	131 to 268, 467 and 471.	Offences relating to coin, stamps and Government notes.	10	..	..	..	..	5	100	80	10	..	..	8	2	..	..	80	80	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3	212 to 216 ..	Harbouring an offender ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4	224 to 228 ..	Other offences against public justice ..	4	..	..	1	2	2	75	50	3	..	..	2	1	..	..	50	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5	141 to 155, 157, 158.	Rioting or unlawful assembly	2	..	..	..	2	2	100	100	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	100	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6	140, 159, 171 ..	Personating public servant or soldier ..	5	..	..	..	1	5	100	100	5	..	..	5	..	..	..	100	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ..	25	..	..	..	25	21	96	84	24	..	..	21	3	..	..	84	84	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		CLASS II.—*Serious Offences against the Person.*																								
7	302, 303, 396 ..	Murder { by thugs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8		" dacoits	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
9		" robbers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
10		" poison	2	..	..	..	1	1	100	100	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	50	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
11		Other murders	7	..	..	..	2	5	100	100	7	..	..	5	1	1	..	60	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
12	307	Attempts at murder	5	..	..	..	1	4	80	25	5	..	..	1	1	1	..	33	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
13	304, 308 ..	Culpable homicide	1	..	..	..	..	1	100	100	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	100	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
14	376	Rape	2	..	..	..	2	2	100	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
15	377	Unnatural offences	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
16	317, 318 ..	Exposure of infants or concealment of births.	1	..	..	..	..	1	100	100	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	100	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
17	306, 308, 309 ..	Attempt at, and abetment of, suicide ..	25	..	..	..	..	25	100	80	25	..	..	20	5	..	..	80	80	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
18	323, 325, 333 ..	Grievous hurt for the purpose of extorting property or confession or deterring public servant.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
19	325, 326, 335 ..	Grievous hurt	60	..	..	2	33	25	97·33	73·47	50	..	..	38	11	..	..	87·85	77·45	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
20	328	Administering stupefying drugs to cause hurt.	1	..	..	1	..	..	100	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
21	327, 330, 332 ..	Hurt for purpose of extorting property or confession or deterring public servant.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
22	324	Hurt by dangerous weapon ..	119	..	..	4	112	99	99·15	79·46	118	..	..	88	32	1	..	74·57	59·18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
23	363 to 369 ..	Kidnapping or abduction	23	..	..	..	11	3	56·52	37·93	9	..	..	3	5	..	..	37·5	37·5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
24	340 to 348	Wrongful confinement and restraint in secret or for purpose of extortion.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
25	372, 373 ..	Selling, letting, or unlawfully obtaining a minor for prostitution.	2	..	..	..	2	..	100	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
26	371	Habitually dealing in slaves ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
27	353, 354, 356, 357 ..	Criminal force to public servant or woman, or an attempt to commit theft or wrongfully confine.	15	..	..	..	10	7	60	70	9	..	..	6	3	..	..	66·66	66·66	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
28	304A, 338 ..	Rash or negligent act causing death or grievous hurt.	9	..	..	..	6	7	100	87·5	9	..	..	7	1	..	..	77·77	87·5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ..	371	..	..	10	235	176	98·65	74·89	344	..	..	172	62	2	..	71·66	77·19	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
		CLASS III.—*Serious Offences against Person and Property, or against Property only.*																								
29	399, 397, 398 ..	Dacoity	1	..	..	..	..	..	100	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
30	399, 402 ..	Preparation and assembly for dacoity ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
31	394, 397, 398 ..	Robbery with { by poisoning or stupefying drugs.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
32		hurt { by other means ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
33	392, 393 ..	" dwelling house	10	..	..	..	5	4	100	50	10	..	..	4	4	..	..	45	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Robbery { on the highway between sunset and sunrise.	12	..	..	..	9	5	75	50	9	..	..	3	4	..	..	55·55	50·55	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
34	379, 381, 382, 420 to 424, 435 to 440.	Serious mischief and cognate offences ..	2	..	..	1	2	2	100	66·66	2	..	..	2	1	..	..	100	66·66	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
35	428, 429 ..	Mischief by killing, poisoning, or maiming animal.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
36	454, 455, 457 to 460.	Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking with intent to commit an offence, or having made preparation for hurt.	212	..	1	1	104	94	87·16	90·38	206	..	..	94	10	2	..	42·63	39·58	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
37	449 to 452	House-trespass with view to commit an offence, or having made preparation for hurt.	7	..	..	..	6	4	100	66·66	7	..	..	4	3	..	..	57·14	66·66	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
38	411, 413	Receiving stolen property by dacoits or habitually.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
39	311, 400, 401	Belonging to gang of thugs, dacoits, robbers and lurkers.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ..	245	..	1	2	130	69	93·87	67·61	242	..	..	109	27	2	..	46·18	42·64	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

A.

Crime for the year 1891.

PERSONS.

PROPERTY.

Pending at the end of last year.	Received by Transfer.	Number arrested or appeared on other process during the year. Arrested by Police.	Number arrested or appeared on other process during the year. Appearing under order of Magistrate.	Total (columns 19 to 21).	Total (columns 19 to 21), transferred without being brought before a Magistrate for trial.	Released without being brought before a Magistrate.	Percentage of persons released (18 Police cases without being brought before a Magistrate to persons arrested by Police.	Number actually brought before a Magistrate for trial.	Acquitted or discharged after appearance before a Magistrate. By Magistrate.	Acquitted or discharged after appearance before a Magistrate. By Justices or High Court.	Finally convicted (including persons ordered to give security for good conduct.) By Magistrate.	Finally convicted (including persons ordered to give security for good conduct.) By Justices or High Court.	Number of persons shown in columns 30 and 31 who were previously convicted.	Percentage of persons convicted in Police cases to persons arrested by Police.	Percentage of persons convicted in Police cases to persons sent up for trial.	Otherwise disposed of, e. g., died, transferred, admitted as an approver, &c. (See reconciliation of total).	Persons pending at end of year. In custody of Police. On bail.	Persons pending at end of year. In custody of Police. Under trial before a Magistrate.	Persons pending at end of year. In custody of Police. Committed to Sessions.	Number of cases in which property was stolen.	Number of cases in which property was recovered.	Percentage of cases in which property was recovered to cases in which property was lost.	Amount of property stolen.	Amount of property recovered.	Percentage of value of property recovered to value of property lost.	REMARKS.
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
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..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	4	..	..	4	..	4	100	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	5	..	5	..	..	..	5	..	..	5	..	5	100	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	30	2	32	..	..	..	30	2	..	28	..	28	96·55	96·55	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14 persons warned and discharged.
..	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	6	..	..	6	..	6	100	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	53	2	55	..	..	..	55	7	..	48	..	48	96·56	96·56	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	2	3	5	..	..	..	5	1	..	3	..	3	60	60	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 case undetected.
..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	3	1	..	1	..	1	33·33	33·33	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	6	3	9	..	..	..	6	2	1	2	..	2	50	33·33	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1 case undetected.
..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	3	1	..	1	..	1	33·33	33·33	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	25	..	25	..	..	..	25	3	..	20	..	20	80	80	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 person warned and discharged.
2	..	64	7	73	..	..	..	73	24	..	24	6	41	67·12	60·25	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 cases undetected.
4	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 case undetected.
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
6	..	181	1	187	..	..	..	187	41	..	134	..	134	76·24	74·33	12	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3 cases undetected.
..	..	10	5	15	..	..	..	15	10	..	3	..	3	20	20	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4 persons warned and discharged.
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	5	..	5	..	..	..	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	9	1	10	..	..	..	10	3	..	7	..	7	60·66	60·66	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	8	..	8	..	..	..	8	1	..	6	1	7	87·5	87·5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 case undetected.
18	..	317	17	332	..	..	..	347	97	2	214	16	226	71·83	69·66	25	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	57	..	..	1 case undetected.
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	10	..	10	..	..	..	10	5	..	5	..	5	50	50	..	..	..	..	..	8	5	62·5	364	182	50	2 cases undetected.
1	..	18	..	18	..	..	..	18	12	..	3	1	4	33·33	30·76	2	..	..	..	..	7	6	85·71	467	343	80·09	
..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	1	66·66	50	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
1	..	172	..	174	7	3	..	173	39	..	130	6	136	78·61	78·61	..	..	..	..	..	8	2	175	121	69·14	10,340	25,487	47·57	
..	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	6	2	..	3	1	4	66·66	66·66	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 cases undetected.
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
2	..	210	..	212	1	..	..	211	46	3	141	12	153	73·93	71·13	..	..	..	..	..	8	2	175	121	69·14	10,340	26,044	47·57	

a Transferred. b 4 cases implicating 4 persons compounded. c 1 person was concerned in a case, the latter to be false. d 7 cases implicating 7 persons compounded.
e Transferred. f 1 case implicating 1 person made over to Military authorities. g 97 cases undetected. h 5 cases property was only recovered. In some proceedings there
but three persons being convicted on more than three other charges.

STATEMENT

PART I.—*Return of Cognizable*

Serial Number.	Law under which punishable.	Description of Crime.	CASES.																							
			Reported to have been committed during the year, whether taken up by Magistrates direct or by the Police, and including all Miscellaneous Cases not classified under section 187, Criminal Procedure Code			Investigated by Police.							Number of cases in columns 12 to 14 and of those investigated by Police in column 7.			Number of cases declared by Magistrates to be false and sent to		Cases disposed of under section 249, Cr. P. C.							
				Not investigated by Police.	Compounded.	Cases pending before the Courts from previous year.	Number of cases in columns 4, 6 and 7 for disposal.	Number of cases in columns 4, 6 and 7 ending in conviction.	Percentage of cases investigated by Police to cases reported.	Percentage of cases ending in conviction to cases decided.	*See note.*	By power of Magistrates in cases where, if the sole cause of action, in which no previous information was given to the Police.	By power of Magistrates under Police orders to enquire.	a.	b.	c.	Police.	Magistrate.	a.	b.	Number of cases pending at the end of the year.	Pending at the end of last year.	Received by transfer.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15			16	17	18	18a		19	20			
	CLASS IV.—*Minor Offences against the Person.*																									
40	341 to 344 ...	Wrongful restraint and confinement ...	32	...	...	...	8	1	12·5	12·5	3	...	...	1	2	...	33·33	33·33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
41	336, 337 ...	Rash act causing hurt or endangering life ...	9	...	...	...	8	5	100	62·5	9	...	...	5	3	...	37·5	62·5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
42	374	Compulsory labour ...	3	...	...	...	2	2	100	100	3	...	...	2	...	...	66·66	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total ...	54	...	...	...	18	8	44·44	44·44	15	...	...	8	5	...	37·33	62·42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	CLASS V.—*Minor Offences against Property.*																									
43	453, 456 ...	Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
44	379 to 382 ...	Theft ... { of cattle ...	2	...	...	...	2	100	66·66	...	3	...	...	2	1	...	66·66	66·66	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		{ ordinary ...	2,765	...	...	17	1,827	1,600	93·93	87·57	2,182	...	...	1,597	194	10	87·38	89·13	64	...	...	15	...	...	...	...
45	406 to 409 ...	Criminal breach of trust ...	355	...	...	4	193	80	57·83	46·98	96	...	...	66	14	...	67·34	85·3	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...
46	411, 414	Receiving stolen property ...	42	...	...	...	34	26	88·36	29·23	47	...	...	19	15	...	92·3	42·5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
47	447, 448	Criminal or house trespass ...	101	...	...	1	30	27	29·79	84	21	...	...	18	3	...	83·71	89·71	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...
48	461, 462	Breaking closed receptacle ...	1	...	...	...	1	1	100	100	1	...	...	1	...	...	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total ...	3,267	...	...	22	2,108	1,742	83·68	82·63	2,748	...	...	1,704	227	10	82·66	87·66	6	...	...	25	...	...	...	...
		Total, Classes I to V ...	3,786	...	1	24	2,516	2,056	80·28	81·71	3,264	...	...	2,114	309	16	81·72	87·77	7	...	...	40	...	...	...	...
	CLASS VI.—*Other Offences not specified above.*																									
49	295 to 297	Offences against religion ...	2	...	...	...	2	1	50	50	1	...	...	1	...	...	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
50	Chapter VIII (40, C. P. C., and Act XI. of 1874.	Vagrancy	87	...	...	...	87	82	91·22	90·98	92	...	...	48	4	...	92·30	91·30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Bad Character ...	105	...	...	...	105	99	100	94·28	105	...	...	99	6	...	94·57	94·28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
51		Offences as inst. Gambling Act ...	254	...	...	...	254	226	89·01	89·76	251	...	...	226	15	...	94·08	89·02	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
52		——— Excise Laws ...	19	...	...	...	19	18	100	85·71	18	...	...	17	2	...	89·47	88·88	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
53		——— Opium Act ...	126	...	...	...	126	96	76·19	76·19	14	...	...	12	2	...	85·71	85·71	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
54	Cognizable offences under the Act specified.	——— Railway Laws ...	74	...	...	...	74	74	...	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
55		——— Salt and Customs Laws.	2	...	...	...	2	2	100	100	2	...	...	2	...	...	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
56		——— Arms act ...	5	...	...	...	5	4	100	80	5	...	...	4	2	...	80	80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
57		——— Mining Act ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
58		——— Forest Act ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
59	269, 277, 278, 280, 283, 285, 286, 289, 294 to 296, Section 34 of Act V of 1861, and 40th other municipal or local laws.	Public and local nuisances ...	73	...	...	1	64	53	71·23	82·81	52	...	...	47	5	1	89·28	80·76	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
		Total ...	671	...	...	1	602	507	74·51	89·24	540	...	...	461	35	1	93	89	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
	Section 25 of Act XIII. of 1856.	Possession of stolen property ...	206	...	...	...	206	144	100	70·24	206	...	...	144	61	...	69·90	70·24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act VI of 1863 ...	Public Conveyance Act ...	3,540	...	...	2	3,514	3,404	99·67	99·38	2,337	...	...	3,398	91	...	97·37	97·34	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
	Acts XIII of 1856 and XI. VIII of 1866.	Police Acts	7,156	...	...	2	6,146	5,809	61·25	94·48	3,796	...	...	2,585	203	7	84·19	84·64	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...
	Act XLVIII of 1860 ...	Drunkenness	3,554	...	...	1	3,121	2,476	100	98·93	2,551	...	...	2,476	49	...	97·95	98·06	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Section 7 of Act XLVIII of 1860.	Assaulting a Policeman, &c. ...	8	...	...	...	8	8	100	100	8	...	...	8	...	...	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act ... of 1861 ...	Army Act	10	...	...	...	8	8	100	100	10	...	...	8	...	...	80	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act I of 1859 ...	Mercantile Marine Act ...	48	...	...	...	45	33	68·66	73·33	27	...	...	26	1	...	96·29	86·29	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act I of 1874 ...	Pawnbrokers Act ...	2	...	...	...	2	1	...	44·44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act VI of 1873 ...	Bombay Port Trust Act ...	5	...	...	...	5	4	...	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act V of 1874 ...	A Jakat Act	25	...	...	...	24	16	24	66·66	6	...	...	4	2	...	66·66	66·66	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act V of 1878 ...	Indian Ports Act ...	60	...	...	...	60	56	93	93	28	...	...	25	3	...	92·59	92·59	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tobacco act	3	...	...	...	3	3	100	100	3	...	...	3	...	...	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Railway Act	13	...	...	...	13	13	100	100	11	...	...	11	...	...	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act VIII of 1878 ...	Sea Customs Act	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act XI of 1867 ...	Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act. ...	828	...	...	...	828	697	...	84·17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Act 2 of 1861 ...	Native Passenger Ships Act ...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
			12,440	...	...	4	12,374	11,904	74·68	94·63	10,032	...	...	9,508	410	1	89·62	89·80	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...
		Total of Class VI and Miscellaneous Laws ...	14,111	...	...	5	14,081	13,241	74·67	94·04	10,572	...	...	10,003	445	2	90·20	89·76	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...
		Grand Total ...	17,897	...	1	29	16,597	15,297	77·12	92·16	13,836	...	...	12,617	754	18	87·51	88·43	7	...	...	47	...	...	...	...

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A—*continued.*

Crime for the year 1891—continued.

PERSONS.																						PROPERTY.						
Number arrested or appeared on other process during the year.			Died, escaped, or transferred without being brought before a Magistrate, Justice, or Police Officer.	Released without bail before being brought before a Magistrate.	Percentage of persons released in Police cases without being brought before a Magistrate to persons arrested by Police.	Number actually brought before a Magistrate for trial.	Acquitted or discharged after appearance before a Magistrate.	Finally convicted (including persons ordered to give security for good conduct).		Number of persons shown in columns 20 and 21 who were sent up by the Police.	Percentage of persons convicted in Police cases to persons arrested by Police.	Percentage of persons convicted in Police cases to persons sent up for trial.	Otherwise disposed of, *e.g.*, died, transferred, admitted as approver, discharged on account of insanity.	Number pending at end of year.												
														Before appearance before Magistrate.		On bail.	Under trial before Magistrate.	In custody of Police.	Committed to Sessions.								
Arrested by Police.	Appearing under order of Magistrate.	Total of columns 19 to 22.					By Magistrate.	By Sessions or High Court.	By Magistrate.	By Sessions or High Court.												Number of cases in which property was stolen.	Number of cases in which property was recovered.	Percentage of cases in which property was recovered to cases in which property was lost.	Amount of property stolen.	Amount of property recovered.	Percentage of value of property recovered to value of property lost.	Remarks.
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46
																						Rs.	Rs.				
4	10	14	...	...	...	14	11	...	1	...	1	10	20	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
9	...	9	...	...	...	9	8	...	1	...	1	55·56	55	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	2	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 case undetected.
15	10	25	...	...	...	25	13	...	8	...	8	80	80	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2	...	2	...	...	...	2	1	...	1	...	1	66·66	66·66	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	50	2	1	50	...	...	
1,999	32	2,066	33	...	...	2,033	225	...	1,760	16	1,776	88·99	89·98	20	...	...	14	4	2,032	1,996	77·42	1,63,991	26,606	20·1	6 persons were discovered to be false cases and 3 by mistake of fact cases. 4 persons warned and discharged.
96	100	196	...	...	...	196	112	1	83	1	84	73	78·94	12	2	...	2	...	108	77	38·69	17,913	11,421	89·12	
83	...	83	...	...	...	83	20	...	63	...	63	36	54·54	20	...	...	...	...	44	40	90·90	1,334	1,334	66·72	
23	47	70	...	...	...	70	40	...	28	...	28	59·99	6·731	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2,177	215	2,392	33	...	...	2,314	313	1	1,960	17	1,938	89·24	89·49	2	...	...	19	3	2,178	2,076	79·72	1,72,495	89,430	21·85	
2,772	244	3,052	4	...	...	3,053	679	5	2,371	45	2,711	84·92	85·87	19	...	...	29	5	2,946	2,399	74·56	2,39,577	1,15,461	39·95	
1	2	3	...	...	...	3	2	...	1	...	1	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
37	5	42	...	...	...	42	4	...	37	...	37	97·37	97·37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
537	...	537	...	...	...	537	37	...	500	...	500	93·67	94·87	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17 persons warned and discharged.
800	2	802	...	...	...	802	93	...	712	...	709	88·92	88·42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
21	...	21	...	...	...	21	3	...	18	...	18	85·71	85·71	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
19	116	135	...	...	...	135	35	...	98	...	98	72·59	73·48	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	25	25	...	...	...	25	...	...	25	...	25	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2 persons warned and discharged.
2	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	2	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
5	...	5	...	...	...	5	1	...	4	...	4	80	80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
87	13	70	...	...	...	70	11	...	28	...	32	91·22	89·65	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
1,488	166	1,654	...	...	...	1,654	127	...	1,428	...	1,351	90·73	90·67	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
223	...	223	...	...	...	223	23	...	150	...	150	69·28	69·28	...	...	...	...	...	100	100	100	3,030	3,030	100	...	...	In 1 case proceedings were not taken. 1 person warned and discharged.
3,809	123	3,932	...	...	...	3,932	123	...	3,670	...	3,764	97·34	97·31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	125 persons warned and discharged.
5,991	2,360	8,351	12	...	...	8,254	513	...	7,357	...	5,813	93·69	94	27	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3,947	...	3,947	39·a	1·a	92	3,906	147	...	3,762	...	3,762	99·89	99·23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
10	...	10	...	...	...	10	1	...	9	...	9	90	90	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
12	...	12	2·b	...	...	10·b	...	...	9	...	9	75	90	1·p	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
57	18	75	...	...	...	75	12	...	53	...	53	92·98	98·14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2 persons warned and discharged.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
9	...	9	...	...	...	9	2	...	6	...	6	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
7	15	22	...	...	...	22	10	...	12	...	4	57·14	57·14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
38	2	40	...	...	...	40	4	...	37	...	37	92·50	92·50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
6	...	6	...	...	...	6	...	...	6	...	6	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
17	...	17	...	...	...	17	1	...	8	...	8	100	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
1	925	926	...	...	...	926	181	...	697	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
14,138	3,309	17,447	36	1	...	17,410	1,022	...	16,443	4	13,393	84·72	84·39	3	...	...	2	...	306	306	100	3,030	3,030	100	
15,627	3,534	19,161	36	1	...	19,124	1,199	...	17,921	4	14,744	84·24	84·55	3	...	...	4	...	306	306	100	3,030	3,030	100	
18,400	3,710	22,110	40	1	...	22,164	1,878	5	20,132	49	17,015	92·47	92·44	22	...	...	33	5	3,175	2,719	78·05	5,70,016	1,18,880	41·80	

a 1 case implicating 1 person compounded.
b 1 case implicating 1 person made over to Military authorities and 1 person transferred.
c 1 case implicating 1 person sent to Lunatic Asylum and 1 person transferred. 6cd cases undetected. In 44 cases property was only recovered. 16 bd cases proceedings were not taken. e
f Transferred. 15 cases undetected. In 2 cases proceedings were not taken.
g 1 case implicating 1 person made over to Military authorities.
h 2 cases implicating 2 persons sent to Lunatic Asylum. 485 persons warned and discharged.
i 23 case implicating 33 persons made over to Military authorities.
k 1 case implicating 1 person released without being brought before a Magistrate. Ninety-nine (99) persons warned and discharged.
l 1 case implicating 2 persons made over to Military authorities.
p 1 case implicating 1 person made over to Military authorities.

W. H. WILSON, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

STATEMENT A.

PART II.—*Return of Non-cognizable Crime for the year 1891.*

Serial Number.	Law under which punishable.	Description of Crime.	CASES.						PERSONS.									REMARKS.
			Average institutions of five preceding years.	Instituted by complaint during the year.	Taken up by Magistrate of his own motion.	Total of Columns 5 and 6.	Number of cases in Column 7 in which the Police were employed to make enquiry.	Number of cases in which process issued.	Number of persons against whom process issued.	Actually appeared before the Courts, including pending from last year.	Discharged after appearance.	ACQUITTED.		CONVICTED.		Waiting trial at close of year.	
												By Magistrate.	By High or Sessions Court.	By Magistrate.	By High or Sessions Court.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	115	Abetment of offence not committed, &c.	·4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	118, 119	Concealing design to commit offence	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
		Total ...	·4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
CLASS I.—*Offences against the State, Public Tranquillity, &c.*																	
2	121 to 130, 505 ...	Offences against the State ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3	137	Harbouring deserters by Master of ship	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
4	172 to 190, 201 to 204, 213 to 215, 227, 228.	Offences against public justice ...	6	7	...	7	1	4	4	3	1	1	...	1	...	...	
5	161 to 169, 217 to 223	Offences by public servants ...	3·8	2	...	2	...	2	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	
6	193 to 200, 205 to 211, 421 to 424.	False evidence, false complaints and claims, and fraudulent deeds and disposition of property	11·4	12	...	12	4	7	9	9	...	7	...	*1	1	...	* 1 person warned and discharged.
7	465 to 477	Forgery or fraudulently using forged documents	4·8	10	...	10	1	6	10	10	...	7	...	...	1	2	
8	264 to 267	Offences relating to weights and measures	3·2	4	...	4	...	4	4	4	...	2	...	2	...	...	
9	482 to 489	Making or using false trade marks	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
10	149, 154 to 156, 160 ...	Rioting, unlawful assembly, affray	·4	1	...	1	...	1	9	9	...	9	...	...	...	...	
		Total ...	30·8	36	...	36	6	24	38	37	1	28	...	4	2	2	

		CLASS II.—*Serious Offences against the Person.*																
11	312 to 316	Causing miscarriage	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
12	370	Buying or disposing of slaves ...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...		
		Total ...	2	1	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...		
		CLASS III.—*Serious Offences against Property.*																
13	384 to 389	Extortion	3·2	6	...	6	3	1	2	7	...	3	...	4	...	...		
		Total ...	3·2	6	...	6	3	1	2	7	...	3	...	4	...	...		
		CLASS IV.—*Minor Offences against the Person.*																
14	345	Wrongful confinement	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
15	352, 335, 358	Criminal force	3,053·6	2,674	...	2,674	41	2,404	3,995	† 1,625	155	802	...	2649	...	18	† 1 sent to Lunatic Asylum.	
16	334	Hurt on grave or sudden provocation	4·8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	‡ 156 persons warned and discharged.	
17	323	Voluntarily causing hurt ...	82	366	...	366	17	312	610	322	7	163	...	§146	...	6	§ 2 persons warned and discharged.	
		Total ...	3,141·4	3,041	...	3,041	59	2,716	4,605	† 1,947	162	965	...	795	...	24		
		CLASS V.—*Minor Offences against Property.*																
18	417 to 420	Cheating	159	180	...	186	34	115	151	§ 118	2	91	5	14	...	5	¶ Case against one person transferred.	
19	403, 404	Criminal misappropriation of property	32·2	25	...	25	13	11	13	20	...	10	...	10	...	...		
20	409	Criminal breach of trust by public servants, bankers, &c. ...	3·4	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
21	426, 427, 434	Mischief (simple)	37·6	61	...	61	5	46	67	43	...	24	...	¶ 19	...	...	§ 2 persons warned and discharged.	
		Total ...	232·2	267	...	267	52	172	231	¶ 181	2	125	5	43	...	5		
		CLASS VI.—*Other Offences not specified above.*																
22	298	Offences against religion ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3		
23	490 to 492	Criminal breach of contract of service	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1		
24	493 to 498	Offences relating to marriage ...	162·8	188	...	188	24	150	170	91	7	56	3	21	1	1		
25	500 to 502	Defamation	32·4	53	...	53	1	37	68	58	12	38	...	7	...	...		
26	504, 506 to 510 ...	Intimidation and insult ...	195·6	302	...	302	10	201	326	173	40	80	...	**52	...	...		
27	271 to 276, 278, 284, 287, 288, 290.	Public and local nuisances ...	4·2	3	...	3	...	3	3	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	** 23 Persons warned and discharged.	
28	291A	Keeping a lottery office ...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
29	Offences under Chapter VIII (A), C. P. C.	Security for keeping the peace on conviction	31·8	13	...	13	...	13	13	12	...	2	...	10	...	...		
30	Offences under Chapter X, C. P. C.	Public nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
31	Cases under Chapter XII, C. P. C.	Disputes as to immoveable property	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
32	Cases under Chapter XXXVI, C. P. C.	Maintenance of wives and children	244·4	275	...	275	...	253	257	160	30	96	...	†334	...	...	†† 1 person warned and discharged.	
33	Cases under Chapter XLII, C. P. C.	Forfeiture of Bond	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
34	Cases under Chapter XLIV, C. P. C.	Miscellaneous	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
		Total ...	674·6	834	...	834	35	657	837	496	89	274	3	124	1	5		

STATEMENT A—*continued.*

Serial Number.	Law under which punishable.	Description of Crime.	CASES.						PERSONS.								Remarks.
			Average instructions of five preceding years.	Instituted by complaint during the year.	Taken up by Magistrate of his own motion.	Total of Columns 5 and 6.	Number of cases in Column 7 in which the Police were employed to make enquiry.	Number of cases in which persons issued.	Number of persons against whom process issued.	Actually appeared before the Courts, including pending from last year.	Discharged without appearance.	ACQUITTED.		CONVICTED.		Waiting trial at close of year.	
												By Magistrate.	By High or Sessions Court.	By Magistrate.	By High or Sessions Court.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Special Laws, offences under which are not cognizable by the Police.															
35	Act XIII of 1856 and XLVII of 1860.	Police Acts	187·4	81	...	81	4	61	23	26	5	9	...	12	...	...	
36	Act III of 1888 ..	Municipal Act	4,124·8	4,147	...	4,147	1	4,146	4,146	4,147	2,632	190	...	*1,325	...	...	* 668 persons warned and discharged.
37	,, I of 1877	Vaccination Act	41·6	16	...	16	...	16	16	15	7	4	...	4	...	...	
38	,, XV of 1889	Presidency Small Cause Courts Act	9·6	8	...	8	4	3	3	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	
39	,, XIII of 1859 ..	Artificers Act	8	1	...	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	†1	...	...	† 1 person warned and discharged.
40	,, II of 1887 ..	Pilgrims Act	·4	1	...	1	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	
41	,, III of 1887 ..	Boilers and Prime Movers Act .	·4	1	...	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	
42	,, I of 1874	Tramway Act	·4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
43	,, XV of 1881 ...	Factories Act	1·2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
44	,, IX of 1898 ...	Post Registry Act	·2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
45	,, XIX of 1850 ...	Apprentices Act...	2·8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
46	Chapter XX, C. P. C.	Frivolous and Vexatious Complaints	·2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
47	Act XIV of 1868 ..	Contagious Diseases Act ...	209·6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
48	,, XXV of 1867 ..	Printing Press Act ...	·4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
49	,, XXI of 1883 ..	Indian Emigration Act... ...	·2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
50	,, IV of 1884 ..	Indian Explosives Act	·2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
51	,, VI of 1882 ..	Indian Companies Act	·2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
52	,, VI of 1867 ..	Bombay Sanitary Regulation ...	·2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
53	,, VIII of 1881 ..	Petroleum Act	·4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
54	,, III of 1877 ..	Indian Registration Act ...	·2	...	·4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
55	,, XV of 1882 ..	Distress Act	2·4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
56	,, VIII of 1878 ..	Sea Customs Act	·4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
		Total ...	4,582·2	4,255	...	4,255	9	4,229	4,261	4,192	2,645	204	...	1,343	...	...	
		GRAND TOTAL ...	8,665	8,440	...	8,440	165	7,799	9,974	7,861	2,899	1,599	8	2,314	3	36	

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STATEMENT B.

Thuggee and Dacoity, Administration of Poisonous or Stupefying Drugs for Criminal Purposes, and other Professional Crimes.

Description of Crime.	Cases.				Persons.							Comparative Return												Remarks.
	Convicted during previous two years, and in which no conviction was obtained up to beginning of this year.	Occurred within the year.	Cases under Columns 2 and 3 brought to trial within the year.	Cases under Columns 2 and 3 in which not brought to trial up to close of year.	Number supposed to be concerned in cases in Columns 2 and 3.	Arrested.	Brought to trial.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Remaining under trial.	Number supposed to be at large at the close of the year.	Number of persons arrested.			Brought to trial.			Convicted.			Property stolen.			Property recovered.			
												189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	189 .	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			14			15			16			17			18
Thuggee { By strangulation ... By poison... ...	Nil.																										
Dacoity on land																											
Dacoity on water																											
Robbery by administration of poisonous or deleterious drugs—																											
(a) with murder... ...																											
(b) without murder ...																											
Other professional crimes, viz.—																											
Kidnapping																											
Cattle theft																											

Note.—Columns 12 to 17 will include all persons arrested or brought to trial during the year for those offences, though such persons be not included in Columns 2 and 3. The difference should be explained in the column of Remarks.

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STATEMENT D.

Showing the Strength, Cost, Distribution and Employment of Police.

District.	Sanctioned Strength of Police Force. — Inspector-General, Deputy and Assistant Inspectors-General.	Strength of District, Cantonment, Town or Municipal and Water Police, paid (or wholly or in part from Imperial or Provincial Revenues. — Number of District and Assistant District Superintendents.	Number of Subordinate Officers on Rs. 100 and upwards (1).	Number of Subordinate Officers on less than Rs. 100 (1).	Number of Mounted Police Constables.	Number of Foot Police Constables.	Number of Water Police Constables.	Total.	Strength of Cantonment, Town or Municipal and Water Police paid wholly from other than Imperial or Provincial Revenues. — Officers.	Men.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Bombay ...	2	7	43	*107	20	†1,108	57	1,342	9	80

District.	Cost of Police. — Pay and travelling allowances of Controlling Officers (Col. 2) and pay and travelling allowances of their Establishments.	Total pay of District and Assistant District Superintendents (Col. 3) (2).	Other expenses of Col. 3. — Travelling allowances of District and Assistant District Superintendents.	Pay and travelling allowances of their Establishments (3).	Total pay of Subordinate Officers (Cols. 4 and 5) (4).	Total pay of Constables of all classes (6, 7 and 8).	Horse and travelling allowances, permanent or otherwise, not included in Cols. 12, 14 and 15.	Average pay of — Mounted Constables.	Foot and Water Constables.	Contingencies and all expenses other than included in Cols. 12 to 18.	Total cost.	Payable from Imperial or Provincial Revenues.	Payable from other sources.
1	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bombay ...	41,574	22,724	4,209	...	1,07,134	2,31,658	10,306	52·60	15·60	†84,285	‡5,01,591	†4,83,110	18,481

District.	Distribution of Force. In District. — Guards at District, Central, or Subsidiary Jails. — Officers.	Men.	On Station duties. — Officers.	Men.	Guards over Lock-ups and Treasuries, or escort to prisoners and treasure or in reserve. — Officers.	Men.	Total. — Officers.	Men.	On Town, Municipal or Harbour duty.	In Cantonments.	Area of whole District in square miles.	Population of whole District.
1	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
Bombay ...	...	...	139	1,270	119	34 on lock-up duty. ‖ 80 in the reserve.	158	1,384	69	...	22	804,004 (according to the Census of 1891).

District.	Proportion of the whole Force (Officers and Men). To Area (6). — Of the whole District.	Of District exclusive of Towns (5).	Of Towns (5).	To Population (7). — Of the whole District.	Of District exclusive of Towns (5).	Of Towns (5).	Proportion of the Police on Station duties (Officers and Men). To area. — Of the whole District.	Of District exclusive of Towns (5).	Of Towns (5).	To Population. — Of the whole District.	Of District exclusive of Towns (5).	Of Towns (5).	Total amount of cognizable crime reported (Cols. 4 and 6 of Statement A, Part I).	Proportion of cognizable crime to the Police Force on Station duties (Cols. 27 and 28).
1	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
Bombay ...	74·13	...	...	480·25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17,494	9·79

(1) Columns 4 and 5 include European Constables according to pay.
(2) Column 13 includes local and personal but not travelling allowances.
(3) Column 15 includes the cost of all enrolled Officers and Men employed on Office duties.
(4) Does not include horse and travelling allowance.

(5) A "Town" contains at least 5,000 inhabitants.
(6) Columns 37 to 39, i.e., in Districts, one policeman to so many square miles; in Towns, so many policemen to one square mile.
(7) Columns 40 to 42, one policeman to so many of the population.

Annas and pies to be omitted from all totals contained in this statement.

* These include 2 native officers and 97 Government Police Guards employed at the different Government offices, buildings and distillery.
† Of this sum Rs. 6,427 are on account of the Police Hospital charges.
‡ Of this 3 are employed on duty at the 3 Magistrates' Courts and the rest 16 in the Commissioner's Office. From this last number escorts are supplied for prisoners and treasure and for other miscellaneous duties.
‖ Of this 20 are employed on duty at the 3 Magistrates' Courts, 3 at Police Surgeon's house and Hospital and the rest in the Commissioner's Office. From men employed in the Commissioner's Office escorts are supplied for prisoners and treasure and for other miscellaneous duties.
‡ Exclusive of Harbour Police.

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STATEMENT E.

Return showing Equipment, Discipline and General Internal Management of the Force.

District.	Total sanctioned Strength.		Armament of the Force.			Punishments.												Rewards.		Education.			Number relisted during the year.	Of one year's service and under 10 years.	Of ten years' service and upwards.	Number who have left the Force during the year.						Percentage to Strength of Force.	Percentage of Deaths during the year to Total Strength of Force.
								Fined, degraded, or suspended by their own Departmental Officers.		Punished judicially by a Magistrate.								Number of Police rewarded during the year.		Number of Police who can read and write.		Number of Police under instruction during the year.				On Pension.	On Gratuity.	By resignation without Pension or Gratuity.	By Dismissal (Columns 7 and 9).	By discharge otherwise than under preceding columns.	By Desertion.	By Death.	
	Officers.	Men.	Number provided with Fire arms.	Number provided with Swords only, if Sword and Baton.	Number provided with Baton only.	Dismissed.				Under Police Act.		Under Sections 330, 331, 348, Penal Code.		Under Chapter IX of Penal Code.		Other offences.		By promotion.	By Good Conduct Rewards.	Officers.	Men.	Officers.	Men.										
						Officers.	Men.	Officers.	Men.	Officers.	Men.	Officers.	Men.	Officers.	Men.	Officers.	Men.																
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
Bombay	146	1,455	...	...	40	1,501	...	14	4	390	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5	397	128	137	308	...	...	146	901	854	43	4	27	...	9	14	24	145·85	1·47

Note.—This statement does not refer to Assistant District Superintendents or officers of higher rank.

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STATEMENT F.

Showing the Race and Religion or Caste of Officers and Men employed in the Police.

District.	Race.										Religion or Caste.																										
	Europeans.					Eurasians.				Natives.			Officers.											Men.												Grand Total, Officers and Men.	Remarks.
	District or Assistant District Superintendents.		Subordinate Officers.		Constables.	District or Assistant District Superintendents.	Subordinate Officers.		Constables.	District or Assistant District Superintendents.	Subordinate Officers.	Constables.	Christians.	Mahomedans.	Hindus.						Other Religions.		Christians.	Mahomedans.	Hindus.							Other Religions.			
	Military or Uncovenanted Civil.	Uncovenanted	On Rs. 150 and upwards.	Below Rs. 150.		On Rs. 240 and upwards.	On Rs. 240 and upwards.	Below Rs. 240.		On Rs. 240 and upwards.	On Rs. 240 and upwards.				Brahmin.	Rajputs.	Gurkhas.	Sikhs.	Pupl.	Hindus of all other Castes.	Pupl.	Jews.			Brahmin.	Rajputs.	Gurkhas.	Sikhs.	Pupl.	Bania.	Hindus of all other Castes.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	
Bombay	Comr. 1 Dy. Comr. 1	7	41	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	112	1,466	51	47	2	...	...	...	...	...	66	2	...	3	231	47	11	...	...	...	2	4	1,058	...	...	1,633	

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STATEMENT G.

Statement showing the Total Expenditure during the year 1890 on Police Buildings in the Island of Bombay.

Reported by the Executive Engineer, Presidency.	Amount.	Reported by the Accountant General.	Amount.
	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.
A.—Repairs to buildings valued above Rs. 1,000	3,898 8 10	D.—Petty repairs up to Rs. 1,000 ...	658 3 8
		E.—Petty construction up to Rs.1,000.	261 10 0
B.—Minor works to buildings valued above Rs. 1,000 and up to Rs. 2,500	2,809 6 9	Total for Police Budget ...	919 13 8
C.—Large works to buildings valued above Rs. 2,500 ...	5,565 12 9		
		F.—Rate per man on the total sanctioned number of Police of all grades	0 9 0
		Grand Total ...	13,192 10 0
Total from Deparmental Public Works Budget ...	12,273 12 4	G.—Rate per man on the sanctioned number of Police of all grades.	8 1 5

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STATEMENT H.

Statement of Dismissals and Resignations in the Subordinate Grades of Police in the Island of Bombay during the year 1891.

	Total Strength of the Force at commencement of the year.		Number of Men including Column 1 discharged on reduction.		Number of Dismissals from all classes.		Number of Resignations.		Percentage of Dismissals from other causes than Reduction and of Resignation, together, on the whole strength of each branch of the Force as shown in Column 1.		Remarks.
	1		2		3		4		5		
	Regular Force.	Municipal Force.	Regular Force.	Municipal Force.	Regular Force.	Municipal Force.	Regular Force.	Municipal Force.	Regular Force.	Municipal Force.	
Bombay	1,633	...	...	...	14	...	27	...	2·51	...	

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STATEMENT I.

Statement showing the Offences for which persons of the age of 14 years and under were placed before the Presidency Magistrates, Bombay, during the year 1891.

Serial Number.	Offences.	Number of Persons.	Convicted.	Discharged.	Result of Persons convicted.					
					Sent to the David Sassoon Reformatory.	Imprisoned.	Flogged.	Fined.	Bound over to be of good behaviour.	Admonished and discharged.
1	Theft	183	157	26	25	38	91	1	...	2
2	Fraudulent possession of stolen property ...	16	10	6	1	5	4	...	...	...
3	Gambling	34	30	4	...	...	3	25	...	2
4	Disorderly behaviour ...	35	27	8	...	2	...	20	...	5
5	Drunk and incapable ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
6	Criminal house-trespass ...	3	3	...	1	1	1	...	...	...
7	Criminal breach of trust ...	4	3	1	1	1	1	...	...	...
8	House-breaking ...	10	6	4	1	2	3	...	...	...
9	Drunk and disorderly ...	8	5	3	...	1	...	4	...	...
10	Police Acts	57	57	...	...	...	2	50	...	5
11	Public Conveyance Act ...	152	151	1	...	...	...	146	...	5
12	Voluntarily causing grievous hurt	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
13	Robbery	2	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
14	Attempt at suicide... ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
15	Begging for alms ...	29	26	3	...	23	...	...	...	3
16	Indecent behaviour ...	7	7	...	...	...	...	2	...	5
17	Torturing animals ...	4	3	1	...	...	...	2	...	1
18	Letting off fireworks ...	18	18	...	...	...	...	17	...	1
19	Exposing articles for sale ...	4	4	...	...	1	...	2	...	1
20	Causing obstruction in a thoroughfare ...	53	53	...	...	...	...	51	...	2
21	Other offences... ...	5	4	1	...	...	...	4	...	...
	Total ...	627	568	59	29	75	106	326	...	32

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STATEMENT J.

Statement showing the Number of Persons re-convicted by the Presidency Magistrates, Bombay, and the Nature and Amount of Punishment inflicted during the year 1981.

Serial Number.	Offences.	Re-convicted.				Fifteen Days and under.		Six Months and under.		Two Years and under.		Four Years and under.		Remarks.				
		Once.	More than once.	More than twice.	More than three times.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous	Simple.	Fined.	Flogged.	Sent to the David Sassoon Reformatory.	Admonished and discharged.	Acquitted.
1	Theft (ordinary)	98	55	36	50	27	2	118	...	74	1	9	1	3	3	...	1	...
2	Robbery	1	2	1	...	1	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	House-breaking	15	9	8	6	3	...	12	...	19	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	Fraudulent Possession of stolen Property	3	4	3	1	1	3	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	Gambling	20	13	11	10	6	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	...
6	Criminal Breach of Trust ...	1	2	3	2	...	...	5	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7	Receiving Stolen Property ...	4	9	...	1	...	...	10	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
8	Criminal trespass	3	1	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
9	Drunkenness	51	13	24	21	21	3	10	...	...	...	...	...	75	...	...	...	...
10	Police Acts	11	5	4	16	10	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	17	...	...	...	1
11	Public Land Conveyance Act ...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	...	...	...	...
12	Loitering	2	1	1	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	Other Offences	2	2	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	1
14	Breaking closed Receptacles ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	234	116	93	108	74	13	176	...	100	1	13	1	166	3	...	2	2

Police Commissioner's Office,
Bombay, 11th May 1892.

W. H. WILSON, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

STATEMENT K.

Return of Inquests held by the Coroner of Bombay during the Calendar year 1891.

	Causes of Deaths.	Total Number of Inquests held during 1890.	Total Number of Inquests held during 1891.	Increase.	Decrease.
Homicidal cases.	Culpable homicide amounting to murder	7	17	10	...
	Do. not do.	3	1	...	2
Death caused by rash and negligent act not amounting to culpable homicide		1	4	3	...
Suicidal cases.	Cutting throat	3	4	1	...
	Drowning	29	46	17	...
	Hanging	2	2	...	...
	Jumping out of a window, terrace, &c.	6	5	...	1
	Lying on a railway line in front of a railway train in motion	2	3	1	...
	Poisoning	35	33	...	2
	Shooting	1	...	...	1
Accidental deaths.	Accidents on board the ships	13	21	8	...
	Do. from machinery	11	7	...	4
	Do. „ Railways	11	15	4	...
	Do. „ Tramways	4	5	1	...
	Accidental poisoning	...	3	3	...
	Do. drowning	30	37	7	...
	Bites of venomous reptiles	3	1	...	2
	Do. mad dogs	2	6	4	...
	Do. wild animals	1	...	...	1
	Excessive drinking	15	15	...	...
	Explosion of gunpowder	...	4	4	...
	Fall from a balloon	...	1	1	...
	Do. houses and buildings	21	19	...	2
	Do. scaffolding and ladders	7	4	...	3
	Do. hills	1	1	...	...
	Do. trees	4	3	...	1
	Do. into dry docks and tanks	4	1	...	3
	Do. on road	...	3	3	...
	Falling bags of grain, sugar, seed, &c.	3	2	...	1
	Do. bales of cotton and piece-goods and cases of merchandise	2	1	...	1
	Do. earth and stones	3	4	1	...
	Do. houses and buildings	44	...	...	44
	Do. iron plates and bars	1	1	...	...
	Do. timber planks and posts	2	1	...	1
	Inhaling mephitic gas	2	1	...	1
	Injuries from carts and carriages	30	34	4	...
	Do. fire	16	26	10	...
	Do. horses and bullocks	4	2	...	2
	Scalds	1	3	2	...
	Miscellaneous accidents	2	4	2	...
Natural causes		59	40	...	19
	Arsenical and opium poisoning	...	1	1	...
	Dhatura	2	...	...	2
	Found dead	2	5	3	...
	Found drowned	11	12	1	...
	Fracture of skull	1	...	...	1
	Ran over by a vehicle	3	1	...	2
	New-born children found dead in streets	3	1	...	2
Still-born		...	3	3	...
	Total	407	403	94	98

Coroner's Office,
Bombay, 4th February 1892.

(Signed) THOMAS BLANEY,
Coroner of Bombay.

(True Copy)
W. H. WILSON, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

Police Commissioner's Office,
Bombay, 1892.

STATEMENT L.

Return of Fires in the Island of Bombay between 1st January and 31st December 1891.

Number.	Division.	Date.	Locality.	Hour.	Nature of Property damaged or destroyed.	Names of Owners of Property destroyed.	Estimated amount of Property destroyed.	Cause of Fire.	Remarks.
		1891.					Rs. a.		
1	D	2nd January	Port Trust Property known as Chaupáti Flats.	10 to 4 P.M.	A large shed stored with fire-wood, a bundle of clothes and a portion of the bamboo railing round the bungalow of Mr. W. B. Hamilton.	Mr. W. B. Hamilton, Gopal Dayal, Sayanna Alam and others.	5,400 0	Accidental	The son of Sayanna Alam left a heated iron near a bundle of clothes and went out to have his midday meal on the hill, locking the door of the room before going out. The bundle of clothes caught fire, which spread rapidly from the clothes to the roof and the adjoining compartments.
2	D	5th ,,	Falkland Road	1 A.M.	A *jhópi* hut	Babaji Luxuman	20 0	Careless smoking	
3	E	12th ,,	Haines Road	2 P.M.	Three *jhópi* huts	Mamma Kaber and two others.	70 0	Careless cooking.	The wife of Mamma was slightly burnt while trying to extinguish the fire.
4	F & G	16th ,,	Dádar Road	Night	A quantity of straw	Gopal Nirgun	3 0	Careless smoking	
5	E	20th ,,	Kámáthipura 8th Lane	2-30 A.M.	Loft of a one-storied house and property and clothes.	Vadi Rámppa	500 0	Unknown.	
6	E	,, ,,	Duncan Road	2-35 A.M.	A one-storied godown containing cotton, &c.	The widow of Banchoddas Tulsidas, Dhunjibhai Hormasji and Abdulbhai Abdulali.	10,500 0	Do.	
7	E	27th ,,	Gunpowder Road, Mazgaon.	5-30 P.M.	A portion of a chawl and property.	Devki (woman) and others	104 0	Accidental	The origin of the fire is believed to be due to some grass in Devki's room catching fire when she was burning an ant's nest in a corner of the room.
8	E	28th ,,	Clerk Road	12 noon	A shed used as a stable	Rama Lallu	5 0	Unknown.	
9	C	29th ,,	Old Hanuman Lane	9 P.M.	Some Gunny bags	Ahmad Suleman	No damage.	Do.	
10	F & G	31st ,,	Lower Máhim	10 P.M.	A cudjan hut	J. F. D. Pinha	30 0	Do.	
11	B	1st February	Nasik Street, Port Trust Estate.	3-45 P.M.	Three bullock sheds and two carts.	Bapu Nagu and others	285 0	Do.	
12	E	2nd ,,	Anjirwádi, Mount Road	8-45 P.M.	A *jhópi* hut	Hanuman Dhulia	135 0	Accidental	It was caused by the explosion of a kerosine oil lamp.
13	C	3rd ,,	Abdul Rahiman Street	5-30 P.M.	A mosquitto curtain	Aba Abdulla	1 0	Do.	One Aba Abdulla while searching a ball under a cot with a light in his hand the curtain caught fire.
14	E	,, ,,	Ghodapdev	10 A.M.	Some *jhópis* outside a hut	Vishram Ratanji	2 0	Do.	It is believed that a lighted *bidi* was carelessely thrown from an adjoining house.
15	B	4th ,,	Argyle Road	1 P.M.	A quantity of coal, bamboo, matting, &c.	Haji Jusub Haji Dada	10 0	Careless *bidi* smoking.	
16	D	6th ,,	Pedder Road	Morning	A curtain covering, an aviary.	Mrs. Gostling	5 0	Unknown	It is supposed to have been caused by one of the servants carelessly throwing out either a match or *bidi* into the compound, which must have fallen on the top of the curtain.
17	E	7th ,,	Ripon Road	2 A.M.	A *jhópi* hut	Allibhai Mottabhai	50 0	Accidental	The fire was due to burning coal being left in a cooking place after evening meal.

18	A	...	,,	,,	...	Pultan Road...	...	9 A.M.	...	A cudjan hut ...	...	...	Municipality ...	...	15	0	Unknown.	
19	D	...	,,	,,	...	Walkeshwár...	...	6 P.M.	...	A tin of kerosine oil, the door and portion of the roof of a shop.	...	...	Khushal Thakarsi	...	19	0	Accidental	... The fire was caused by Khushal Thakarsi throwing carelessly a match which fell into a tin of kerosine oil which immediately ignited.
20	E	...	8th	,,	...	At the junction of the Parel and Kála Chauki Roads.		10 P.M.	...	A *jáeli* hut with two other huts.		...	Monaji Balaji and Mahadu Rama.		150	0	Unknown.	
21	A	...	14th	,,	...	Colába Cotton Green	...	3-15 A.M.	...	A quantity of cotton bales	...	...	Several cotton merchants	...	50,000	0	Do.	... Believed to be due to spontaneous combustion.
22	A	...	19th	,,	...	Victoria Bandar	...	3 P.M.	...	A quantity of loose cotton	...	...	Gokuldas Kalianji	...	4,000	0	Friction.	
23	E	...	,,	,,	...	Jámbli Street	...	7-50 P.M.	...	About 15 wooden boxes	...	...	Daudbhai Abdulali	...	10	0	Accidental	... It was due to a fire-place being left unprotected by the occupant.
24	A	...	24th	,,	...	Esplanade Road	...	1 P.M.	...	No property destroyed	...	...	Municipality ...	...	No damage		.....	
25	C	...	3rd March		...	Bhendi Bazár	...	1 P.M.	...	Do.	...	...	Malla (woman)	...	Do.	...	.....	The cause of fire was that Malla (woman) took an uncovered kerosine lamp into a dark room and there accidentally dropped it down.
26	A	...	6th	,,	...	Victoria Bandar	...	5 P.M.	...	A quantity of loose cotton	...	...	Bombay Cotton Press Co.	...	1,000	0	Friction.	
27	E	...	,,	,,	...	Sánkli Tank Road	...	4 P.M.	...	Four *jáeli* sheds ...	...	...	Municipality ...	...	1,000	0	Unknown.	
28	B	...	7th	,,	...	Carnac Road ...	...	11-30 P.M.	...	A chawl divided into 8 shops and portions of two adjoining houses.		...	Mahomed Ismail Macha, Marwaries, grocers, dealers in iron.		10,379	0	Accidental	... It is attributed to the careless use of a fire-place.
29	A	...	10th	,,	...	Lower Colába	...	11 A.M.	...	A quantity of loose cotton	...	...	Bombay Cotton Press Co.	...	300	0	Friction.	
30	B	...	13th	,,	...	Bhaudkri Street	...	7-30 P.M.	...	Some clothes ...	...	...	Rama Bhikaji ...	...	30	0	Accidental	... It is supposed to be due to a naked oil lamp not being properly extinguished.
31	F & G	...	17th	,,	...	Parbhádevi ...	...	1 P.M.	...	A *jáeli* roofed house	...	...	Vithoba Lakshman	...	300	0	Careless use of a fire-place.	
32	E	...	,,	,,	...	Behind the old Mázgaon Police Office.		5 A.M.	...	A *jáeli* shed ...	...	...	Gann Udhavji...	...	5	0	Unknown	... Two buffaloes were burnt—one severely and the other slightly.
33	E	...	25th	,,	...	Between the Victoria Gardens and the Chinchpokli Roads.		2-45 A.M.	...	A quantity of rubbish	...	...	Tramway Company	...	Nominal	...	Accidental	... The origin of the fire is believed to be a *bidi* thrown carelessly on the rubbish by some passer-by.
34	D	...	26th	,,	...	Slater Road ...	...	5-30 A.M.	...	A quantity of cowdung cakes.		...	Ardeshir Tridar	...	10	0	Do.	... It is surmised that the heat from the fire-place must have set the cowdung cakes on fire.
35	D	...	5th April		...	Falkland Road	...	8 A.M.	...	A quantity of dry cotton		...	Jivraj Ballu Mill Co	...	10	0	Friction.	
36	C	...	14th	,,	...	Duncan Road	...	2-30 P.M.	...	Loose pieces of wood and some bambu rafters.		...	Rampiari (woman)	...	2	0	Accidental	... The woman Rampiari before leaving her room had left near a fire some loose pieces of wood which ignited and flamed up and set fire to some bambu rafters.
37	A	...	16th	,,	...	Lower Colába	...	7-35 A.M.	...	A quantity of cotton	...	...	Scott Press Co.	...	25	0	Friction.	
38	A	...	17th	,,	...	Do.	...	3 P.M.	...	Do.	...	...	Do.	...	200	0	Do.	
39	E	...	,,	,,	...	Kharsetji Sukláji Street	...	Evening	...	A couch and a chair ...		...	Hannah Reuben	...	20	0	Accidental	... Kerosine oil lamp hanging on a nail fell down, exploded and set fire to a couch and chair.
40	E	...	22nd	,,	...	Coppersmith Street, Mázgaon.		4-35 A.M.	...	A shed, empty kerosine oil cases, the windows and the ceiling of the rooms on the 1st and 2nd story of a three storied building.		...	Haji Kasam Jugab, Dhanjibhai Bamanji Mistri and tenants.		3,300	0	Unknown	...
41	P., V. & M. Docks		26th	,,	...	West Wharf...	...	3-30 P.M.	...	Four compressed cotton bales.		...	A. Bleschcek and E. Spinner.		Nominal	...	Do.	
42	A	...	27th	,,	...	Lower Colába	...	2-30 P.M.	...	A quantity of cotton	...	...	Gokuldas Kalianji Press Co.	...	500	0	Friction.	
43	A	...	1st May		...	Modi Bandar	...	5 P.M.	...	A heap of coal ...		...	Messrs. Shepherd Co.	...	Nothing		Unknown.	
44	A	...	9th	,,	...	Victoria Bandar	...	2-15 P.M.	...	A quantity of loose cotton		...	Scott Press Co. ...		3,000	0	Friction.	

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45	P. V. & M. Docks	11th May	On the S. S. "King Arthur".	1 A.M.	One of the sails of the ship	Bombay & Persia Steam Ship Company.	Nominal	Accidental	The fire was caused through a spark from the galley funnel.
46	E	13th ,,	4th Lane Kámáthipura	2 P.M.	A few cowdung cakes	Posani, woman	5 0	Unknown	
47	E	16th ,,	Chinchpokli, Parel Road	7 P.M.	A balloon	Professor C. Lawrence	1,200 0	Do.	
48	A	19th ,,	Lower Colaba, Victoria Bandar.	8 A.M.	A quantity of cotton	Gokuldas Kalianji Cotton Press.	23 0	Friction	
49	A	21st ,,	Lower Colaba	7-30 A.M.	A quantity of loose cotton	Bombay Cotton Press	300 0	Do.	
50	A	,, ,,	Do. Victoria Bandar	2 P.M.	Ditto.	Samoon Cotton Press	200 0	Do.	
51	D	26th ,,	Frere Bridge, Grant Road	1 P.M.	A cart laden with grass	Nana Bhavani and Vasant Kalian.	60 0	Unknown	
52	E	2nd June	Chamar Godi	10 P.M.	Rope tar, oilpaint, &c.	Port Trust	2,500 0	Do.	
53	F & G	9th ,,	In the compound of the Love Grove Pumping Station.	1 P.M. & 5 P.M.	A small quantity of coal	Municipality	Nominal	Spontaneous combustion.	
54	F & G	16th ,,	DeLisle Road	3 P.M.	A *jáeli* hut	Laksiman Bagaji	15 0	Careless use of a fire-place.	
55	E	19th ,,	Chinchpokli	3-45 P.M.	A quantity of cotton	Great Eastern Mill	No damage	Unknown	A Mukádam named Ratan Devji was slightly burnt about the hands and feet.
56	F & G	,, ,,	Mátunga	7 P.M.	A *jáeli* shed	Haji Ebram	5 0	Careless use of a fire-place.	
57	E	20th ,,	2nd Kámáthipura Lane	Afternoon	A wooden partition underneath the oven.	Santu Malu	100 0	Accidental	One Vishnu Ramshow after cooking his food left the fire smouldering which gradually burnt the wooden partition underneath the oven.
58	D	29th ,,	Tárdeo	12 midnight	A *jáeli* shed	Mahadu Govind	150 0	Do.	A kerosine oil lamp was upset.
59	B	3rd July	Sarung Street	2-45 A.M.	A chawl and sundry articles such as umbrellas, &c., in shops.	Nurali Abdulali Bohra and Kila Ebram.	9,050 0	Unknown	
60	A	14th ,,	Gun Carriage Factory	1 A.M.	A box containing rubbish	.....	0 4	Do.	
61	F & G	30th ,,	Mátunga	8 P.M.	A *jáeli* hut, *jáeli* and agricultural implements.	Abu Narayen, a cultivator	25 0	Do.	
62	F & G	6th August	Parbhádevi Road	4-30 A.M.	A house covered with *jáelis*	Narayan Harichand and Ramji Balu.	200 0	Accidental	Careless use of a naked kerosine-oil lamp.
63	A	9th ,,	Apollo Bandar	9 P.M.	A quantity of soot in a chimney	Mr. Cracut	No damage	Unknown	
64	D P	11th ,,	No. 1 hold of the S. S. "Newamen."	7 A.M.	A quantity of coal	Chartered by Messrs. Mclver & Co.	Nominal	Do.	
65	F & G	12th ,,	Parel	7-30 P.M.	Flooring of the National Mill.	The National Mill & Co.	200	Do.	
66	D	14th ,,	Tárdeo Road	2-45 A.M.	A quantity of cotton	The Oriental Mill & Co.	300	Spontaneous combustion.	
67	F & G	,, ,,	Dádar in the Government Distillery.	2-45 P.M.	A shed	Gharu Gopal	50 0	Accidental	The fire was due to the escape of spirit vapour from a lick in a cover of one of the stills.
68	C	3rd September	Páydhuni	10 A.M.	A cot	Bechardas Ramchand	15 0	Do.	Bechardas was preparing some medicine over a fire and on pouring some oil into it it flamed up and set fire to a cot.

69	C	13th September	Sindi Gali	8-30 P.M.	A *cudjan* shed and a tarpaulin.	Ibramji Fatabhai Bohri and Ghati tenants.	805	0	Unknown	It is believed that a lighted *bidi* must have been carelessly thrown from a neighbouring house.
70	F & G	" "	Mahim	4 P.M.	Two *jdrdi* huts, a cattle shed all property inside, police clothing and accoutrements of P. C. No. G—1215.	Vithu Lakshman, four other townsmen, P. C. No. G—1215, and Rahi Mahadev.	450	0	Accidental	It is attributed to the careless use of a naked lamp that was placed near an idol.
71	A	18th "	Victoria Bandar	Morning	A cattle shed	Jogu Hanmanta	15	0	Unknown	
72	G	26th "	2nd Bhoiwada	4 P.M.	Two boxes, one large and the other small. The small box contained 2 currency notes, 1 for Rs. 500 and 1 for Rs. 20 and a neck ornament of the value of Rs. 250 were either lost or robbed.	Moolhe	770	0	Do.	
73	F & G	30th "	Elphinstone Road	9 P.M.	A small *jdrdi* shed	Mulla Kosheva, Potter	3	0	Accidental	It is attributed to the careless use of an oven.
74	F & G	12th October	Dharavi	11-30 P.M.	Three *jdrdi* huts, 2 labour carts, two goats and the whole property of the inmates of the huts.	Hasan Amin, Imamali Dada Khan, and Ramsarup Devidin.	650	0	Do.	It is attributed to the careless use of a lamp which was hanging in one of the huts which caught fire first.
75	C	15th "	In the compound of the Mumbadevi Temple.	12 noon	A canopy	Proprietors of the Temple	5	0	Do.	It was due to a spark from the fire which was kept burning during the Navrátrás.
76	F	" "	Sánkli Tank Road	11 P.M.	A *jdrdi* hut	Jagesur Buddu and Jamsetji Navroji,	5	0	Do.	Jugesur Buddu left a naked light close to the side of a wall and this set fire to the *jdrdis*.
77	F & G	16th "	In a field off Ferguson Road,	1 A.M.	A small *jdrdi* hut	Lakshman Gungaji	1	8	Do.	Careless use of a kerosine oil lamp.
78	F & G	1st November	Elphinstone Road	Midday	A *jdrdi* hut	Muka Suma	35	0	Do.	Careless use of a fire-place.
79	E	2nd "	Bapty Road	11-30 P.M.	A shed and a lot of rubbish	Makunda Bavji	10	0	Do.	The fire was caused by a kerosine oil lamp which was left on the floor alongside of some rubbish inside the shed.
80	F & G	6th "	Dharavi	6-30 P.M.	A *jdrdi* cattle shed	Kasam Juma Jan Mahomed	5	0	Do.	It is attributed to the careless use of a naked kerosine oil lamp that was taken into the shed by a cart-driver.
81	E	8th "	Ripon Road	4-15 P.M.	A heap of rubbish	Hindustan Mill Company	Nil.		Do.	It was caused by a spark from the chimney falling into a heap of rubbish placed there.
82	C	9th "	Abdul Rahiman Street	5 A.M.	A quantity of scented oil, cotton thread, miscellaneous articles and a quantity of stationery	Abdulali Sarufali and Abbasbhai Abdul Kader.	3,000	0	Unknown	
83	F & G	10th "	Naigaum Road	1 A.M.	A *jdrdi* hut	Saravan Rama	2	0	Accidental	Careless use of a naked kerosine oil lamp.
84	E	11th "	Foras Road	A quantity of hay		Kondaji Bhikaji	1	8	Unknown	
85	F & G	12th "	Lady Jamsetji Road	8 A.M.	A *jdrdi* hut	Babli Gopal	97	0	Accidental	Careless use of a *chilum*.
86	D	14th "	Girgaum	11 A.M.	Some planks of the ceiling and a quantity of cotton rubbish.	United Spinning and Weaving Mills.	1,000	0	Unknown	
87	E	19th "	Ripon Road	6 P.M.	A box containing clothing and currency notes for Rs. 90.	Daud bin Sab	128	0	Careless *bidi* smoking.	
88	E	22nd "	De Lima Street	4-45 A.M.	Some part of a roof	Kalianji Sunderji	4	0	Unknown	
89	C	30th "	Anant Rishi's Gurt	2 P.M.	A lot of coin, cordage and some old bedding, several beams and rafters.	Atmaram Narayan	200	0	Accidental	It is attributed to the friction of some old *cudjan* leaves against the beams to which they were tied.

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							Rs. a.		
90	E ...	2nd December...	North of the Victoria Gardens.	4 P.M. ...	A cattle shed with six other sheds.	Tejpal Khetsi, Bahirusingh Gangaram, Tatia Tukaram and 4 others.	1,600 0	Careless *bidi* smoking.	Two cows, one buffaloe, and three calves were burnt to death. Tatia Tukaram was severely burnt in attempting to rescue some of his buffaloes.
91	F & G.	2nd ,, ...	Dádar Kumbhárváda ...	8 A.M. ...	A *jhopi* hut	Vaman Dadoba	445 0	Careless use of a fire-place.	
92	C ...	3rd ,, ...	Anant Rishis Oart ...	5 P.M. ...	A basket containing some old rags and rubbish.	Atmaram Nárayan	Nominal ...	Accidental ...	The landlord believes that it is the work of an evil spirit.
93	B ...	4th ,, ...	.....	Midnight ...	A house and an adjoining shop.	Keshowji Jadowji and Dharsi Hemraj.	20,000 0	Unknown ...	
94	F & G.	7th ,, ...	Varli, Purbhádevi Road ...	After midnight .	Waste cotton	Dhun Mills & Company ...	500 0	Spontaneous combustion.	
95	F & G.	8th ,, ...	Parel Road, Lálvádi ...	4 P.M. ...	A *jhopi* shed	Hari Dalha and two others .	2 0	Careless use of a fire-place.	
96	F & G.	19th ,, ...	Sivri Fort	2 A.M. ...	Fisherman's nets	Bandia Dhansji & tem others.	247 0	Unknown ...	
97	B ...	21st ,, ...	Samuel Street	8-30 P.M. ...	A *mandap*	Rahimtulla Khairaj	50 0	Do. ...	
98	F & G.	23rd ,, ...	Lady Jamsetji Road ...	11-30 A.M. ...	Four huts	Vith Yesu, Ganga, woman, and two others.	550 0	Accidental ...	It is attributed to the careless use of a fire-place in the hut of Vitha Yesu.
99	E ...	26th ,, ...	Foras Road	3-5 P.M. ...	Twenty grass depôts	Narsi Hirji and 19 others ..	500 0	Careless *bidi* smoking.	
100	F & G.	27th ,, ...	Cleveland Road	9-30 A.M. ..	Three huts and a house ...	Antone Jaw, Phillip Jaw and two others.	960 0	Careless use of a *chilam*.	
101	F & G.	,, ,, ...	Carrol Road...	5-30 P.M. ...	A bed and a cot	Balu Kadar	12 0	Accidental ...	Careless use of a lighted incense stick.
102	B ...	28th ,, ...	Tava Lane	9 A.M. ...	A roof of a house	Haji Tar Mahomed Hamid..	1,000 0	Careless use of Huka.	
103	F & G.	,, ,, ...	Antop Hill	6-30 A.M. ...	Two tons of dynamite and 7 tons of glycerine, the whole of the godown of Messrs. Ewart Latham & Co.	Messrs. Graham & Co. and Messrs. Ewart Latham & Co.	65,000 0	Spontaneous combustion.	
104	D ...	30th ,, ...	Charni Road	10-30 A.M. ...	A quantity of cotton	Murarji Gokuldas Mill ...	1,000 0	Unknown ...	One Lakshman Daji was severely burnt about the lower parts of his body whilst extinguishing the fire.
105	B ...	31st ,, ...	Chinch Bandar	5-30 P.M. ...	A number of gunny bags ...	Chunilal Kuberdas	100 0	Do. ...	
						Total Rupees...	2,05,079 4		

Police Commissioner's Office,
Bombay, 11th May 1892.

W. H. WILSON, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

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Bombay Castle, 24th June, 1892.

Letter from the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, No. 2963—7, dated the 11th May, 1892—Submits the annual report on the Police Administration in the Town and Island of Bombay for the year 1891.

Further letter from the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, No. 2964—7, dated the 11th May, 1892—States that, in conformity with the instructions contained in Government Resolution No. 4075, dated the 14th July, 1886, he forwarded the report to the Chief Presidency Magistrate, and attaches copy of a letter from that officer, No. 484, dated the 7th May, 1892.

RESOLUTION.—There were 17,393 cognizable and 8,440 (in the body of the report the number is given as 8,400) non-cognizable cases reported to the Bombay City Police in 1891 as against 18,518 cognizable and 7,596 non-cognizable cases reported in 1890, while the number of accused persons actually appearing in Court, whether in connection with cognizable or non-cognizable cases, was 29,045 against 28,353 in the previous year, the increase being confined to the persons appearing in non-cognizable cases. The decrease in the number of cognizable cases reported was due entirely to a remarkable decline from 7,309 to 6,156 in the number of offences against the Police Acts and from 3,148 to 2,551 in the number of cases of drunkenness. No fewer than 828 cases were reported under Act XI of 1890 (Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act) of which 697 ended in convictions. The number of minor offences against property rose from 2,646 in 1890 to 3,207 in the year under review, while offences under the Abkári Act numbered only 25 against 81 in 1890. Crime in its more serious form remained practically the same, since in 1890 the number of offences included in Class II (Serious offences against the person) was 287 and in 1891 it was 271. There were nine murder cases, two of which were by poisoning, while in the previous year there were six murders and three attempts at murder. In last year's report the increase in the number of cases under the Police Acts, the Mercantile Marine Act and the Abkári Act was attributed by the Commissioner of Police to greater vigilance on the part of the Police. During 1891 the number of cases under these Acts fell from 10,457 to 8,707, from 117 to 46 and from 81 to 25, or in a far more remarkable manner than that in which they rose in the preceding year. The Governor in Council learns with satisfaction that the work of the Temperance Societies in Bombay is beginning to have an appreciable effect in checking drunkenness, but it is not clear that this is the only explanation of the decrease in one of these classes of crime, while no explanation is offered as to the others.

2. There was a rise in the number of cognizable cases under the Indian Penal Code of which the most remarkable was the increase of 31 house-breaking cases (not 38 as shown by the Commissioner in paragraph 6 of his report), 448 cases of theft and 116 cases of criminal breach of trust. The house-breaking cases are reported to have been on the increase chiefly in the outlying suburbs of the city, such as Máhim, &c., where the Commissioner, with the force at present at his disposal, is unable to quarter a sufficient body of constables for the proper protection of property. When the Police force of the city is re-organized, this class of crime will, no doubt, be kept down more effectually.

3. As regards the investigation of crime, the Governor in Council notices a regrettable decline in the percentage of cases of all kinds ending in conviction to the total number investigated. In 1890 the figure stood at 95·81, while for 1891 the percentage was 87·51. The falling off was most marked in the case of "Serious offences against the person and property or against property only," "Minor offences against the person" and "Minor offences against property." Similarly, the percentage of persons convicted to those arrested for these offences showed a serious decline. These percentages in the case of offences

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against Acts other than the Penal Code were, it is satisfactory to note, fairly well maintained. The Commissioner of Police states that he has, in this year's report, prepared Statement A in accordance with the suggestions put forward in paragraph 2 of Government Resolution No. 3375, dated 24th June, 1891, but one or two errors appear to have crept in. The number of "Other murder" cases reported during the year is shown as seven, of which five were decided (column 8 of Statement A), all of which (column 9) ended in conviction. The percentage in column 11 is accordingly given as 100; and it is not understood how, if this is correct, column 15 (*b*) shows one case as ending in acquittal or discharge. The Commissioner of Police should give an explanation of this. Of the nine murders committed in 1891, six were prosecuted to conviction, while two apparently were awaiting decision at the close of the year. Only one acquittal appears to have resulted.

4. The number of offences against property shows, as has been pointed out above, a large increase, especially under the heads "House-breaking," of which there were 212 cases against 176 in 1890, "Theft, ordinary," of which there were 2,705 as against 2,257 cases, and "Criminal breach of trust," of which there were 352 as compared with 236 cases in 1890. Thefts are reported to have been of a petty nature and the increase in the number of cases is ascribed by the Commissioner of Police to the increased vigilance of the Police; but the *decrease* which occurred in 1890 in the same class of offences was ascribed by him to the same cause. Perhaps it would be safer to assign the increases and decreases to the natural fluctuations which must occur in the records of crime in a populous city like Bombay.

5. The value of property stolen rose, as might be expected, from the large increase in the number of offences against property, from Rs. 2,13,606 in 1890 to Rs. 2,29,616. This figure is not quite so high as that for 1889, but that year was an exceptionally bad one, and the return for the year under review is not very encouraging. There was a slight increase (from 51·2 to 51·60) in the percentage of property recovered, the value of which amounted to Rs. 1,18,500. The decline in the number of arrests of persons in possession of stolen property from 336 to 228 is, in view of the increase in the value of property stolen, remarkable.

6. The Governor in Council observes with regret the large increase in the percentage of admissions to hospital and that the Commissioner of Police attributes the invaliding to the continuous and excessive work thrown upon the force. This, together with the increase in the number of cases of house-breaking at Máhim, noticed in paragraph 8 of the report, which is attributable to the insufficient number of constables whom he is able to post there, confirms Government in their opinion that the police force of the city of Bombay urgently needs an increase. No fewer than 465 policemen received rewards either in promotion, good-conduct badges or money, as against 438 in 1890, while there was a slight fall, from 422 to 414, in the number of men punished. The Governor in Council has much satisfaction in placing on record his recognition of the valuable services rendered by the Deputy Commissioner, Mr. Gell, by Superintendents Crummy, Sweeney, Brewin, McDermott and Ingram, by Sardár Mir Abdul Alí, Khán Bahádur, by the several Inspectors named in paragraph 58 of Colonel Wilson's report and by the force generally.

(Signed) C. H. A. HILL,
Under Secretary to Government.

To

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The Chief Presidency Magistrate,
The Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay,
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